

COMMENT OF
THE DAY

Grim Warning

IF the statement signed by eight internationally renowned scientists warning of the danger of nuclear warfare is regarded purely as a factual document, it may be said it contributes little to existing public knowledge. The facts as stated before, and the dangers are widely known even if they are imperfectly understood and appreciated. Many, it seems, have

developed an immunity to the fear of a hydrogen bomb war—constant repetition of the dreadful consequences has numbed the mind and dulled its receptivity; or perhaps apathy has grown out of the feeling of utter helplessness which the prospect creates; or perhaps it is just that we cling to an insecure faith, (or is it hope?) that no world power—not even the Russians—would be foolish enough to instigate such wholesale carnage as this kind of war involves.

THE purpose of the statement, however, was not to jog dilatory and reluctant memories, or to arouse dormant fears. It was designed as a timely warning specifically to the Big Four heads of government and generally to the world's atomic powers that the situation it poses as a future possibility is to be avoided at all costs. The moral is quite clear in this respect.

The most obvious inference to be drawn from it is that we have now reached the crossroads in our dealings with the Russians; one path leads to what Sir Winston Churchill once described as "the broad highway to peace and plenty" and the other to a state of affairs which could precipitate the dangers which the scientists underline so vividly.

As a document bearing the signatures of some of the most famous figures in the world of physical science and medicine, it cannot fail to have a profound effect upon the minds of those who will be involved in the discussions at Geneva. Certainly the Western leaders, more than anyone else, are conscious of the frightful menace and are pledged to bring an end to present tension and banish threat of war. The Soviet attitude is still uncertain. To the negotiators, then, the warning has particular point.

THE refusal of the Russians to associate themselves with it is to be regretted. The statement transcends politics and its message is purely universal. As scientists and as the men most intimately connected with the development of atomic and nuclear energy they are concerned solely with the future welfare of mankind, not with advocating any controversial policy or proposing any solution to a problem which in reality defies effective agreement under present international conditions.

Presumably the price of Soviet participation would have been an additional appeal to ban production of the bomb and to abandon all tests. But does this really matter at this stage? Aren't these questions really irrelevant? The danger to civilization is real enough now—today and tomorrow. And it is not the hydrogen bomb that poses that danger but the circumstances which led to its testing and its wholesale manufacture and which may one day lead to its use.

What the scientists are in effect asking is to remove the threat of further tension and the possibility of war. That, they insist, is the primary consideration, the real problem to overcome. The alternative they warn may be the grim picture they paint in their statement.

H.K. AS A "DOMINION"?

Whitehall To Consider Constitutional Changes In All Colonies

IDEAS TO BE DISCUSSED

Local Reactions To The Idea

Both the Reform Club and the Hongkong Civic Association reacted this morning to the London report of a possible change in the Colony's constitution.

Mr Brook Bernacchi said: "The Reform Club notes with pleasure the fact that proposed constitutional changes in Malta may affect Hongkong's own position."

"The Reform Club considers that there are many advantages to an arrangement whereby the Colony could elect its own representative to Parliament in London."

"Whilst the Reform Club recommends that the Executive should sit with the Legislature in Hongkong, and should have some elected representatives on it, constitutional changes of a more sweeping nature require to be studied with care."

The Other View

Speaking for the Civic Association, Mr F. W. Kendall said: "The Civic Association has noted that certain suggestions for sweeping constitutional changes concerning Hongkong are to be made at the round table conference in London called to discuss constitutional reform in Malta."

"In view of the present stage of political development in Hongkong, the Civic Association considers any constitutional changes of a sweeping nature would be detrimental to the economic and political stability of the Colony."

Mr J. L. Murray, Government Public Relations Officer, stated that Government had heard nothing of the suggestions and therefore had no comment to make.

Woman Wounded

Casablanca, July 12. A Moroccan terrorist on a bicycle shot and seriously wounded a 47-year-old woman, Mrs Germaine Cossi, in the residential district here yesterday. —France-Press.

The "Frightful Haircut"



Labour MP, Mr James Simmons recently came to the rescue of Army men who get frightful haircuts when they are inducted in the Army. In the House of Commons he queried War Minister Anthony Head about hairstyles and asked how efficient Army barbers had to be. He displayed this picture to Mr Head who agreed "it looks a bit frightful". —London Express Photo.

AT THE MALTA CONFERENCE

By HAROLD GUARD

London, July 11.

The appointment of a round-table conference to consider Malta's request for representation in Britain's Parliament may set a precedent for constitutional changes for other colonial territories, including Hongkong, authoritative sources said here today.

Following studies of the Maltese proposals for assimilation by the United Kingdom and admission to representation at Westminster, the Government has resolved on the broad principles by which any further applications should be judged.

It is understood that proposals for the association of some small self-governing colonies with the nearest Commonwealth member are being circulated among Commonwealth governments.

By this scheme New Guinea and the Solomon Islands would be expected to gravitate toward Australia; Fiji, Samoa and Tonga toward New Zealand; Mauritius and the Seychelles toward a future Federation; and Bermuda and the Bahamas toward a Caribbean Federation.

The proposals for association with the Commonwealth also would fit in with Malta's ideas of integration with the United Kingdom and could also include Gibraltar, the sources said.

Promotion

But such an arrangement could not include island and city states like Hongkong and Cyprus.

For these areas one suggestion is that they should be promoted to the rank of old style "Dominions" on the understanding that that term is only lower in status to "realm" and higher in status to "colony."

In many ways these new "Dominions" could be modelled on the old. Their governors might be appointed by the Queen on the recommendation of their Prime Minister in the Dominion.

The Commonwealth realm which accepts overall responsibility for the territory in question could be represented in the "Dominion" by a Commissioner and the "Dominion" would likewise be represented in London.

In this way the Commissioner for Hongkong would have direct access to Whitehall on behalf of his government.

Authoritative sources stressed that these were only ideas which would come up for discussion at the round-table conference on Malta between members of the British and Maltese Parliaments.

There has been another suggestion that the new "Dominions" Prime Ministers should sit in on plenary sessions of future Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conferences.

"Grand Council"

Another suggestion is that they should form a "Grand Council" by themselves together with the suggestion that the Crown Office in London should be enlarged and staffed by civil servants for the new "Dominions."

The idea behind this suggestion is that the Crown Office then could operate in the same way as the Commonwealth Relations Office which has direct access to the Foreign Office and Cabinet offices in Whitehall.

Authoritative sources said that the proposals for Malta were "plain and practical" and that if the British Government did meet the Maltese demands, Hongkong and Singapore could rightly request similar constitutional adjustment. —United Press.

BATHING TRAGEDY

Mother, 6 Children Drowned

Nairn, Scotland, July 11.

A mother and her six small children were drowned here last night while a distracted father scrambled over sand dunes searching for them in a sea mist.

Police today found the bodies of the woman, her niece and four of the children. They kept on searching for the remaining two children, one an infant of two.

The family, on holiday at the seaside, had gone for a picnic on the sands. The father, John McIntosh, 46, a forestry worker, volunteered to brew tea and prepare the food while his wife and her 18-year-old niece, Shena MacDonald, took the six children to paddle in the sea.

While he waited for them to return the sea mist closed in. For four hours he searched but could find no trace of his family. CUT OFF BY TIDE

At last he went to the police, who joined him in the search. Police today said Mrs McIntosh and the children must have been cut off by the tide.

"It is the worst drowning tragedy in living memory in this area," a police official said. "Bodies recovered so far are those of Mrs McIntosh and Mrs MacDonald, and Isabel, 13, Rose, 8, Donald, 5, Shena, 4, and Ann, 3. —Chiefs of Police.

Eisenhower Will Say "No" To—

Big 4 Plus Red China Conference

Washington, July 12. President Eisenhower is expected to oppose any Soviet proposal at the Geneva conference for a five-power meeting with Communist China to negotiate a peace settlement in the Far East.

According to present plans, Mr Eisenhower will not even attempt to raise Far East questions at next week's meeting and does not intend to include a specific discussion of Formosa or Communist China in his address to the nation shortly before leaving for the Swiss capital on Friday night.

The President's determination to avoid Far East problems during the Geneva conference is in marked contrast to the attitude of Sir Anthony Eden, the British Prime Minister, who has signified his willingness to discuss any subject which any one of the Big Four heads of governments may want to bring up.

DEMAND EXPECTED

The allies' approach to this question, presumably by an impromptu aspect of last-minute pre-Geneva talks which the United States Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, will hold with the British and French Foreign Ministers in Paris on Thursday and Friday.

A Soviet demand for inclusion of the Far East in the Geneva discussion is expected by diplomatic sources here. The probable Soviet line has been one of the big questions marks facing Washington in its preparations for the Big Four conference.

It has been underscored by reports in London that the Indian Prime Minister, Mr Nehru, who left the British capital on Sunday, had been asked by Soviet leaders to sound out the British Government on broadening the Geneva meeting to include Formosa and other disputes involving the Chinese Communists and the United States.

NO EXPERT INCLUDED

The fact that the United States delegation to Geneva does not include a single working level expert with responsibility for policy in the Far East is taken here as a sign of President Eisenhower's determination to resist any Soviet attempt to act as a spokesman for the Chinese at the conference.

President Eisenhower's attitude also gives full support to Mr Dulles, who has unmistakably discounted a Soviet proposal — made at Berlin in January 1953 and expected to be revived now — for a conference between the Big Four and Communist China on the Far East. —Reuter.

Suggestion By Truce Chief

Geneva, July 11.

Suggestions for "physical obstacles" — possibly a modified barbed wire fence — on some parts of the Israeli-Egypt truce demarcation line will be discussed when talks between the parties resume on Wednesday. It is understood.

This is one of the proposals made by Major-General Edmond Burns, chief United Nations truce supervisor.

Last week's talks in a hut were adjourned on July 7 and were reported by Israeli sources to have ended in deadlock which Egypt denied.

A joint communication said merely that a "final examination of security proposals" was being made and a "final examination of security proposals" was being made and a "final examination of security proposals" was being made.

A Petition That Failed



Mrs Frieda Pratt, who was on trial five years ago for stabbing her husband, recently obtained more than 1,000 signatures to her petition for the reprieve of Mrs Mary Ellis, sentenced to death for the murder of her lover David Blackly. But reports from London yesterday said that the Home Secretary had decided not to intervene and Mrs Ellis is due to be hanged today. —London Express photo.

LENNOX BOYD LEAVES CYPRUS

CONDEMNATION OF VIOLENCE URGED

Nicosia, July 11.

Mr Alan Lennox Boyd, British Colonial Secretary, tonight called for universal condemnation of violent demonstrations in Cyprus as he prepared to return to London after a weekend visit to this uneasy island.

Mr Lennox Boyd is to fly home tonight after three days of talks with British, Greek and Turkish community leaders in Cyprus where "terrorist organisations" have organised bomb incidents to demonstrate for Enosis (union with Greece).

At a press conference Mr Lennox Boyd said that "acts of terrorism tend to increase tension and are certainly not helpful to the calm discharge of our duties."

He said he wished to point out that any action the government might take against terrorism would be essentially action against terrorism rather than against agitation for Enosis.

Mr Lennox Boyd said his visit had confirmed his feelings of the "complexity" of the problem but he now felt better equipped to find a solution.

TAKES RESPONSIBILITY Answering criticism of the role of Cyprus governors, he said Sir Robert Armitage, the present Governor, had always had the full support of the British Government in his difficult task which was no mere domestic problem but involved Greece and Turkey.

"I take complete responsibility for all actions that have been taken and may be taken by the Governor in the proper discharge of his duties," Mr Lennox Boyd added.

BABY MURDERED

Slough City, Iowa, July 11.

The body of 21-month-old Donna Sue Davis, who was snatched from her crib while her parents watched television, was found late today at the edge of a muddy cornfield about four miles from her home.

The blond, blue-eyed baby had been beaten. —United Press.

Boats Fired On

Tokyo, July 12.

Russian patrol vessels today fired on two Japanese fishing boats north of Japan's territory in the Sea of Okhotsk, according to a dispatch from Tokyo. The boats had neither of the boats was damaged. —Reuter.

Knowland's Free The Satellites Resolution

Washington, July 11.

The Senate Republican leader, William Knowland, today introduced an administration-backed resolution proclaiming hope for independence for the people of Communist satellite nations.

It was co-sponsored by the aging Democratic leader, Earle Clements, the chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, Walter George, and Senator Alexander Wiley, Republican member of that Committee.

Senator Knowland told the Senate he introduced the resolution with the knowledge and approval of the State Department.

He offered the resolution as Senator Joseph McCarthy prepared for another try at putting the Senate on record for liberation of the Communist satellites. Senator McCarthy's previous effort, calling on President Eisenhower to raise the satellite question at next week's Big Four summit conference, was rejected by the Senate by a 77-4 vote on the grounds that it would try to do the President's hands in critical diplomacy.

AGGRESSIVE DESPOTISM

The Knowland resolution did not mention the Big Four conference. It did say that millions of persons in Europe and Asia lived under "totalitarian imperialism" and that domination of free people by an aggressive despotism was a threat to the security of all other free peoples.

Ascertaining that the American people cherish a tradition of freedom and self-determination, the resolution concluded with this resolving clause:

"That the Senate proclaim the hope that the peoples who have been subjected to the captivity of alien despotism shall again enjoy the right of self-determination within a framework which will sustain peace; that they shall again have the right to choose the form of government under which they will live and that the sovereign rights of self-government shall be restored to them all in accordance with the pledge of the Atlantic Charter." —United Press.

FLOOD THREAT

Calcutta, July 11.

The North Bengal river Teesta, in the Himalayas, today widened the breach it made in the embankment protecting towns on its eastern bank today.

It tore a 500-foot gap in the embankment which stretches for nine miles.

The Himalayan town of Darjeeling is now completely cut off from the rest of India by severe landslides, which have blocked the road and railway lines between it and the plains. —France-Press.



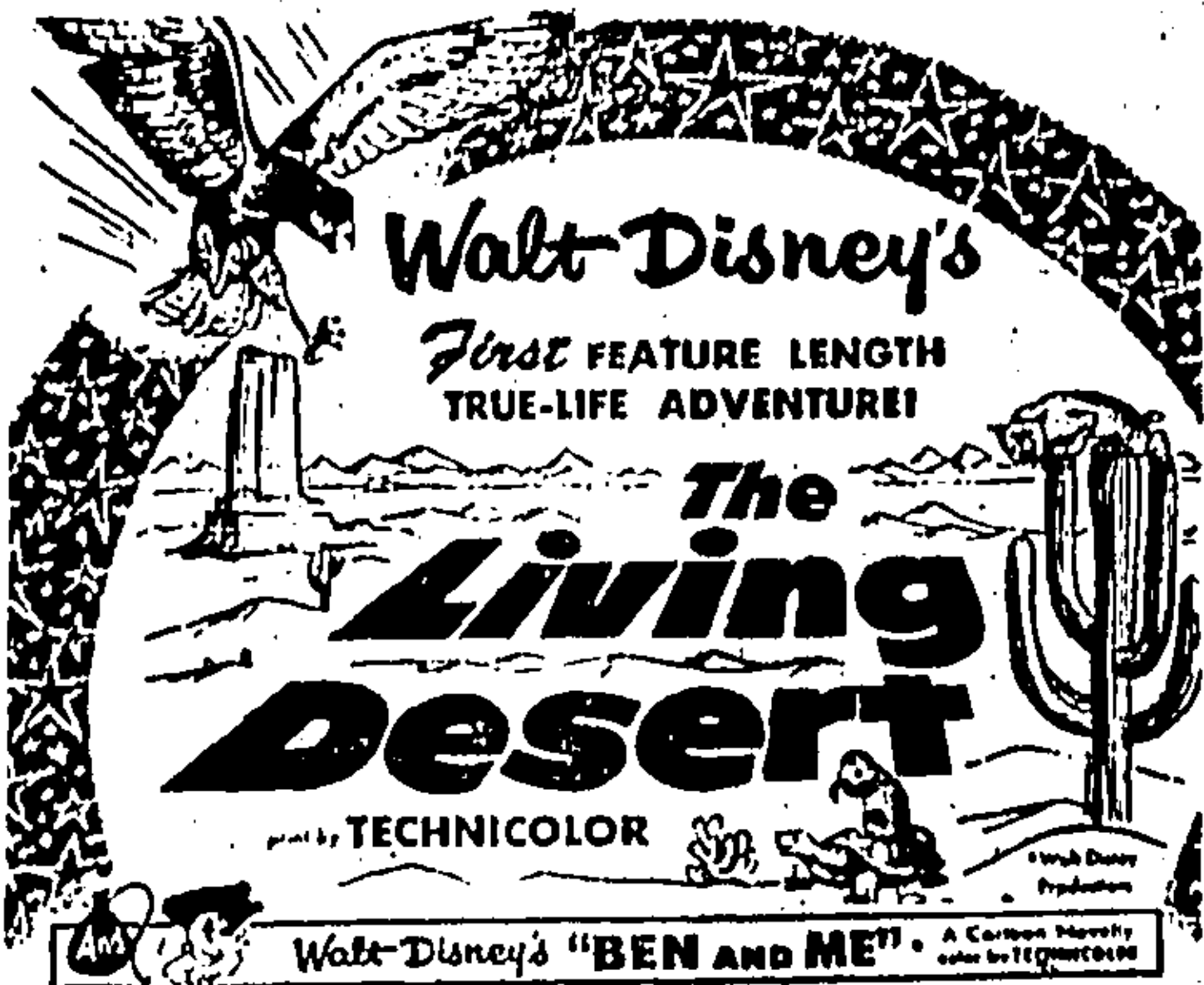
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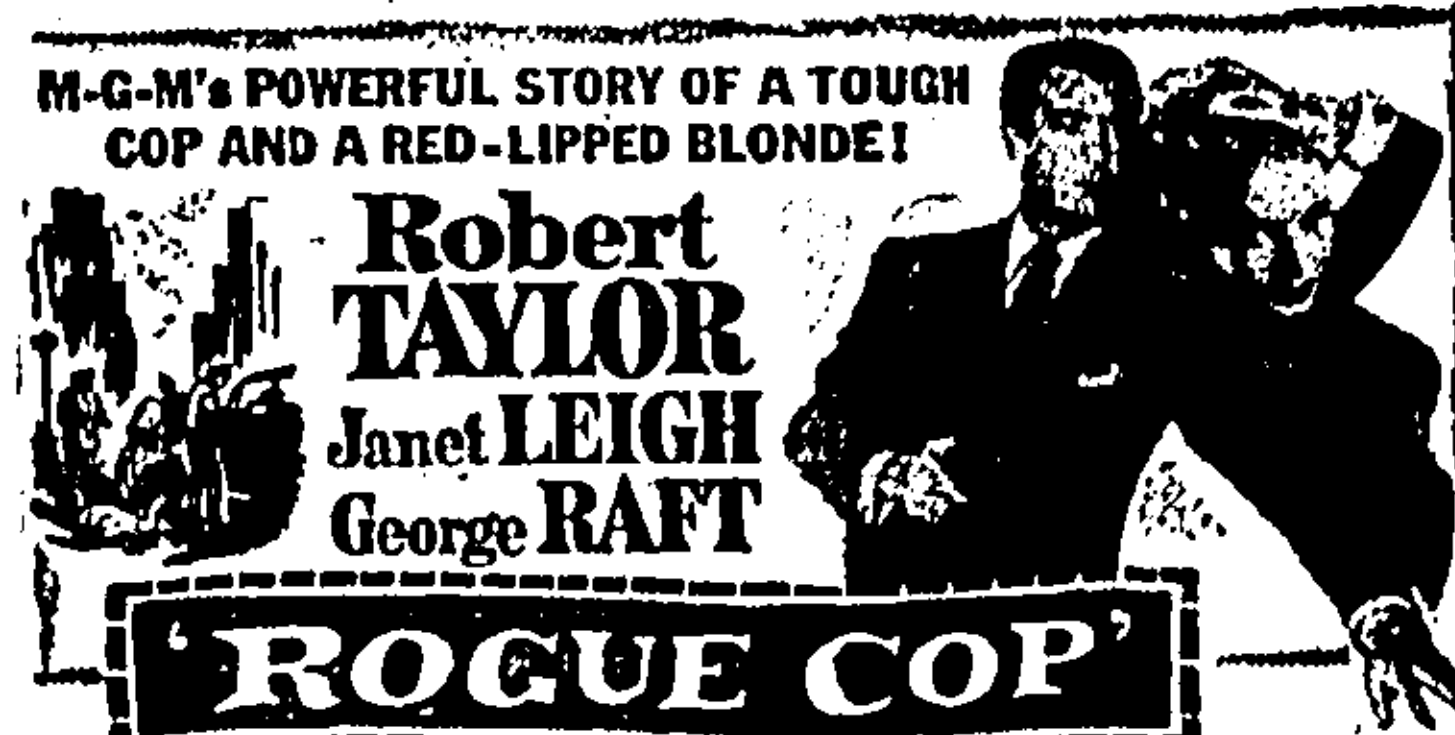
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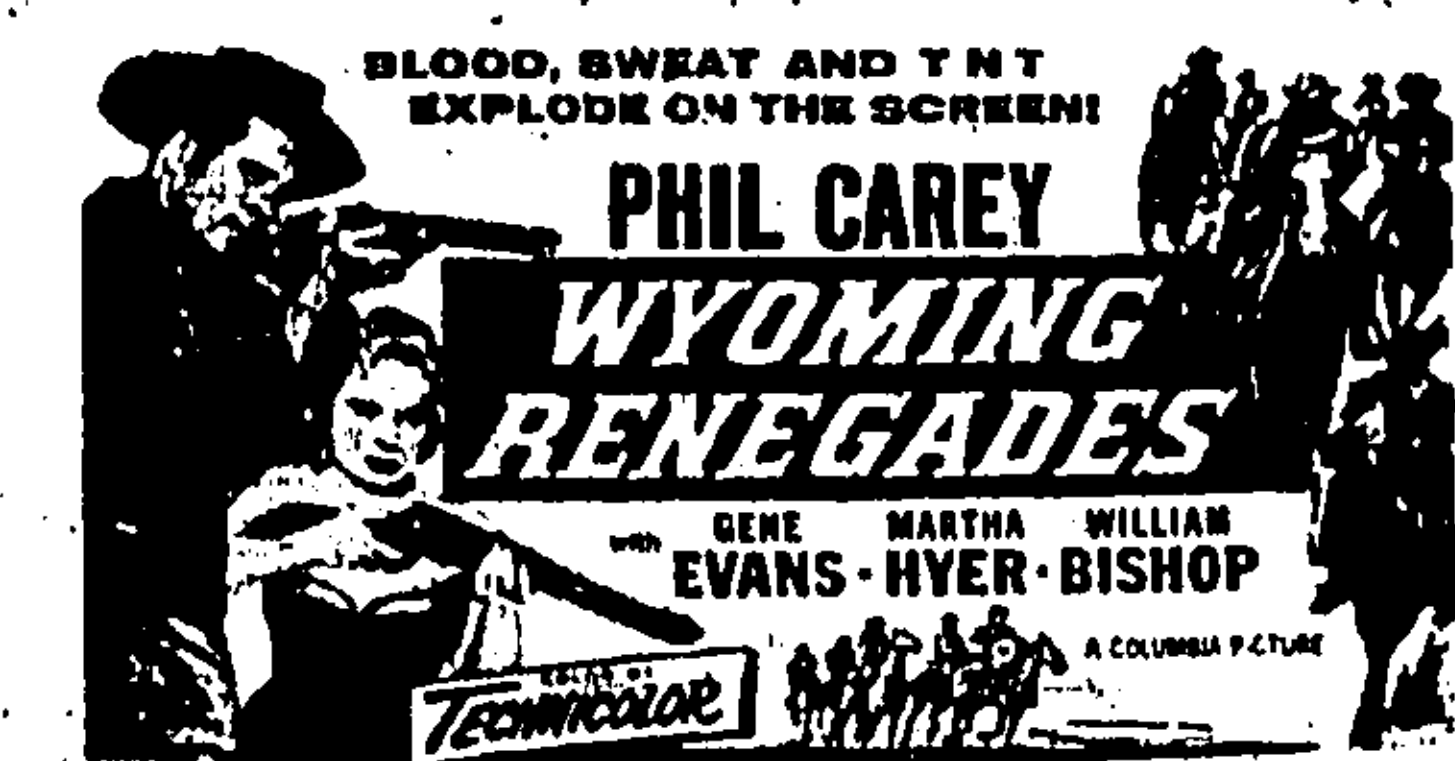


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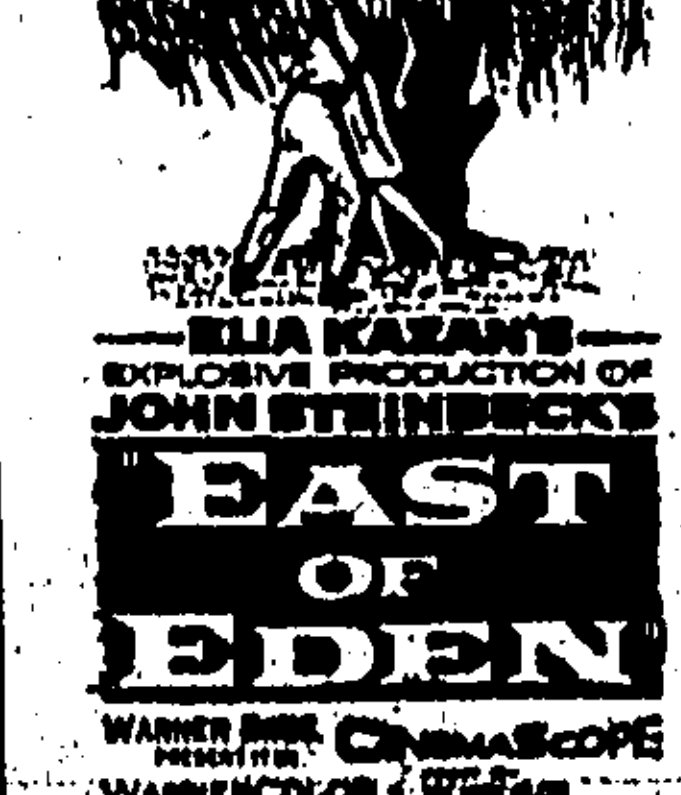


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Next Change
"GO, MAN, GO!"Paper's Campaign For Release
Of Detained Britons

London, July 11.

A crusading newspaper won where diplomats failed in the struggle to free a British family trapped behind the Iron Curtain.

In one of the strangest sidelights of the cold war Czechoslovakia bowed to the demand of the newspaper on Saturday. Today the crusading editors of Lord Beaverbrook's 4,000,000-circulation Daily Express set themselves a new target.

"95 Wives Still To Be Freed," they declared in the banner headline announcing Round 2 of their unique struggle with Communist Eastern Europe.

ROUND 1

Round 1 was won on Saturday when Czechoslovakia announced it would allow 32-year-old Mrs. Phyllis Sispera and her three English-born children to return home.

Six times in five years the Foreign Office had formally demanded her release only to be ignored. The Daily Express started its campaign on June 24. This week Mrs Sispera and her children are expected home.

But the outspoken newspaper was not content.

"Where are the wives?" it asked today. "In Poland there are 246, of whom 72 want to come back to Britain; in Czechoslovakia (a total of 98), 12 want to come home; in Rumania (12), four want to leave; and in Hungary 18 out of 33 are held against their will."

"Now the aim is to demand as a right for all the 95 wives the freedom that has at last been given to... Mrs Sispera," the Express said.

Their plight is one of the strange sufferings Britain alone has had to bear in the cold war.

Hundreds of British girls married exiled Eastern Europeans who fled their homelands in World War II to carry on the fight against Hitler from Britain. Hundreds returned to these homelands in the brief period before Communism took over.

Mrs Sispera, a slim brunette from Thurston in the county of Suffolk, was typical. She married a Czech hero of the Royal Air Force. Two sons and a daughter were born in Britain. All went to Czechoslovakia immediately after the war.

When the democratic government there fell to the Communists, they tried to escape, and were caught. Mother and father were gaoled, and the father still is in prison. Mrs Sispera obtained a divorce and the children's custody in the hope of getting back to England. But the Czech Government claimed the children are Czech citizens and refused to let them leave. The youngsters were taken from home and placed in an institution. Mrs Sispera would not go without them.

OFFERED BRIDE

Last week, even with the glare of Western publicity turned fully on, the Czech authorities tried to bribe Mrs Sispera to remain. They offered to free her husband, give him a good job and reunite the couple with the children. She still refused. And she won.

"The Czech Government bows to the demand of public opinion in Britain, persistently expressed by this newspaper," the Daily Express said in an editorial today. "Let the Red countries now demonstrate their goodwill by freeing all the other Britons they detain... If one, why not all?" United Press.

Court Competent

Paris, July 11.

A Paris Court ruled today that French justice is competent to handle the divorce proceedings brought by the Maharajah of Baroda against her husband, the Maharajah.

The President of the Seine Tribunal ordered a legal separation and gave the Maharajah custody of 10-year-old Prince Kumar.

The divorce case will be heard in several months, United Press.

The Legion Is Big
Happy Family
—Says A POSTER

Paris, July 11.

The French Army shrugged off desertions from the Foreign Legion by Legionnaires returning home from Indo-China amid a new wave of criticism of one of the world's most famous fighting corps.

Egyptian authorities announced that 141 Legionnaires have deserted from troopships in the Suez Canal since the beginning of the month. A spokesman for the French Ministry of National Defence said today that the figure was certainly much too high.

"In any case these desertions cause us no anxiety," he said. "It very often happens like that."

BOREDOM

The Legionnaires who jumped ship were on their way back to posts in the North African deserts to finish out their five-year engagements, he said. The prospect of inactivity and boredom under the Legion's crushing discipline was largely responsible for their decisions to desert.

The desertions revived the chronic attacks against the Legion which the French Army in general and Legion head-

quarters in particular have made a business of denying.

"The Foreign Legion is a great family which looks after you," says a recruiting folder, and this idea of a closed society is what gives the Legion its esprit de corps as a fighting machine. Its motto is "Legio Patria Nostra"—"The Legion is our country."

The Legionnaires thus do not fight directly for France but for the Legion. Their battle flags, heavy with the accretions of years of service, bear the legend "Honour and Fidelity." All other regimental flags in the French Army are inscribed "Honour and Fatherland."

The Legion rejects the conception that it is merely a band of international black sheep and desperadoes who fled their homes. It refuses three-quarters of those who apply for enrolment.

"We may be an asylum," said a senior Legion officer, "but we are not a dumping ground." United Press.

The Secretary General and the President of the Athens Municipal Council work with the city of candle-light. The local electric company in Athens had cut off the electric lighting from the Athens Town Hall, and in spite of requests from the Mayor of the City, General Katsotas, the company refuses to switch on until the Town Council has settled their large outstanding account. — Express Photo.

Policeman
Imprisoned
Wife

New York, July 11.

Mrs Peter O'Connor, imprisoned by her policeman-husband for night-time disturbance of the peace, hung herself in her prison cell at Harrison, N.J., last Sunday night.

Burned in an accident, Mrs O'Connor had had two operations to speed her recovery and was expecting big results from a third.

When her husband, suggested delaying the third treatment, Mrs O'Connor resented this and became increasingly bitter over the months.

When Lieut. Peter O'Connor came home last Sunday night, he found his wife in a rage. She created a scene so violent, he said, that all their neighbours heard the screams and turned on their lights to see what it was all about.

Tired of fighting, the police lieutenant asked his subordinates to lock up his wife.

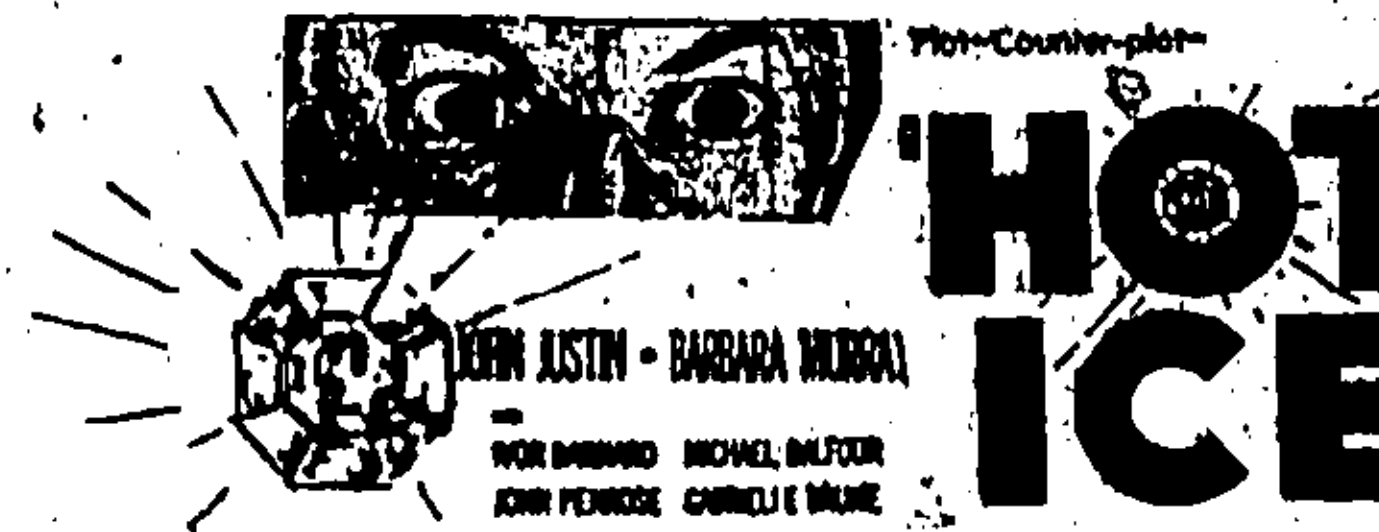
One hour later, she was hanging at the end of a bedsheet attached to one of the bars of her cell. — Franco-Press.

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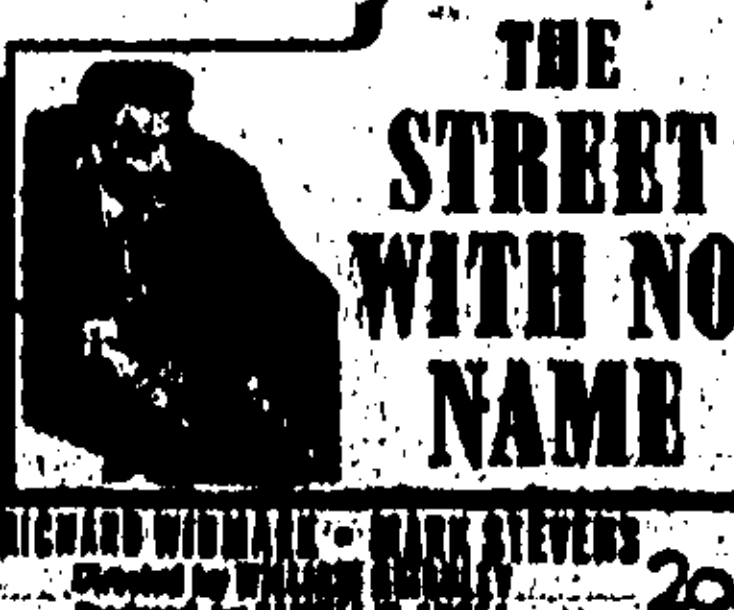
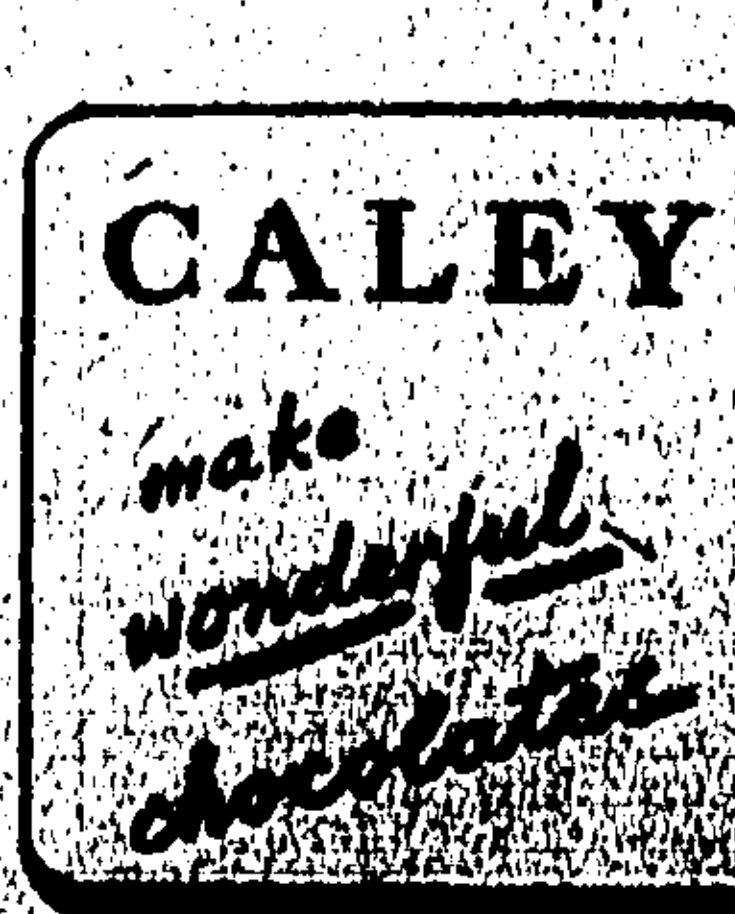
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Movement Of French Troops To

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Godfather

Sir George Now Uses His Title

Liverpool, July 11. A 16-year-old Canadian high school boy stepped foot on English soil from the liner Saxonia yesterday — and knew it was safe to call himself "Sir."

The boy, Sir George Grant Suttie, the eighth baronet of a Scottish line which began in 1702, inherited the title in 1947 but never used it for fear of being ragged by his classmates at school.

Now he is visiting Scotland to see his estate at Dalgozie, near Edinburgh.

During a three-month visit, he will decide whether to settle permanently in Scotland. — China Mail Special.

PI NEEDS MORE US BASES

Manila, July 11. President Ramon Magsaysay said today the Philippines needs more American bases for the security of the country.

The President told a Press conference he is for the establishment of additional US bases because the Philippines cannot defend itself successfully against a foreign invader.

He cited the recent case where a Soviet Russian ocean-going tanker anchored overnight off the coast of Davao in Mindanao and Manila authorities did not even know about it until many hours later.

He said this incident proved that the country's security needed to be strengthened.

EMPLOYMENT

"If that had been an invasion by the Russians," he said, "they would have had a beach head in Davao already."

Pres. Magsaysay said that establishment of additional American bases in the country not only would provide security against an invader but would also give employment to many Filipinos.

The US at present has three active bases in the Philippines — Clark Air Force Base in Central Luzon, the Subic Naval Base on Western Luzon which includes the Olongapo area and Sangley Point in Manila Bay which is the headquarters of the American Naval Command in this area. — United Press.

Dover, July 11. The body of a man found in Shakespeare tunnel, near Dover, has not yet been identified.

The man, who had well-kept hands, is believed by police to have lived in a recess in the tunnel for about a week.

Two straw pads and a kit bag were found near the body in the tunnel. — China Mail Special.

North Africa UNLIKELY UNTIL AFTER GENEVA CONFERENCE

Washington, July 11. American military sources said today that they believed France would not consider sending any more NATO forces to North Africa until after the Geneva conference.

These usually reliable sources said they heard that France wanted to send 11 battalions from her NATO forces in Europe, over and above those already sent and being sent to North Africa.

This report created considerable concern in the highest echelons in the Defence Department, as well as among officers attached to the NATO Standing Group here, on the grounds that such a move could impair NATO defences in the main defence sector of Europe.

STRENGTH

The sources understood the French Government realized that the announcement of a withdrawal of further NATO forces from Europe to North Africa might weaken the Western position at the Geneva conference where it is essential the Western delegates should speak from strength.

New Homes For Refugees In Bavaria

Nuernberg, July 11. Nearly 300 refugees from Communist countries today began moving into new homes in a remodelled former Army barracks near here to learn the languages and trades that will fit them for settlement in the Western world.

The first group of about 35 escapees carried their meagre belongings into the completely rebuilt and modernised centre from Camp Valka, on the other side of Nuernberg. Valka, which had handled hundreds of thousands of refugees, displaced persons and escapees, is shabby and does not have modern facilities.

The families and single men and women, who will live and train at the new centre will be cared for by the Bavarian State Government. The US escapee programme paid the approximately US\$50,000 it cost to renovate the camp. — United Press.

However, the sources here understand that after the Geneva conference the French Government would consider the possibility of further withdrawal of their NATO forces from Europe, in the light of the results of the Geneva conference, as well as the necessities in North Africa.

They said latest reports from Algeria indicate the situation has improved as the result of the sending of French reinforcements there, but it is too early to state if more forces will be needed.

They also took an interest in the appointment of the new French Resident-General in Morocco, Gilbert Grandval. They said that although it was a political matter, nevertheless it was of interest to the Defence Department because of the United States' strategic bases there.

The sources believed M. Grandval's tactics were to give greater autonomy at the local level throughout French Morocco as soon as possible in the hope of creating a better atmosphere to solve the deadlock existing between the Arab nationalists and the feudal Berbers in regard to the Sultanate. — United Press.

Russian Can Attend Theatre

Washington, July 11. The State Department today decided to allow a Russian newspaper correspondent to attend the opening tomorrow of a Shakespeare memorial theatre at Stratford in Connecticut — a State normally out of bounds to all Soviet citizens.

The Soviet Embassy here asked for the regulations to be waived for Eugene Litoshko, New York correspondent of Pravda, the Soviet Communist Party newspaper.

The embargo was imposed over a wide area of the United States in retaliation for similar restrictions on the movements of Americans in the Soviet Union.

Notifying the Soviet Embassy tonight of its decision the State Department said: "It is hoped that the Soviet Government will apply its regulations restricting travel by foreign citizens in the Soviet Union with equal liberality should an American press representative wish to visit an area of the Soviet Union normally closed to such travel." — Reuter.

Gypsies Meet In France

Paris, July 11. Some 15,000 Christian gypsies from France, Luxembourg, Belgium and Spain swarmed into the tiny village of Bellevue, near Nantes today for their annual convention.

The gypsies who arrived in some 2,000 dilapidated vehicles set up a huge camp outside the village and will spend several weeks listening to sermons made by their preachers and their spiritual chief, who arrived today from Bordeaux.

Christian gypsies believe in God and Jesus Christ but not in saints. — France-Press.

Boulogne, July 11. Miss Judith Crowther, daughter of Geoffrey Crowther, Editor of The Economist, was killed in a car accident outside Boulogne last Saturday night.

The driver of the car, Mr. Roger Lord, of Birmingham, was in hospital with both his legs broken.

Miss Crowther was taken to hospital with a fractured skull when she died. — China Mail Special.



Field-Marshal Viscount Montgomery acted as godfather to the baby son of Mr Richard Sharples, M.P. for Sutton and Chess, at the House of Commons Crypt. Mr Sharples was Lord Montgomery's Military Assistant during and after the formation of Western Union. — Central Press Photo.

Egypt Prepares For Anniversary Of Army Coup

Cairo, July 11. Egypt is making elaborate preparations to celebrate the third anniversary of the Army coup d'etat which ousted King Farouk, smashed the Pasha feudal system and installed a Republican regime.

Triumphal arches with buntings in revolution colours are being erected everywhere in the main thoroughfares over bridges and on balconies and sizable models of the revolution's national production projects, including a new giant Nile dam, iron-steel works and oil refineries.

At 7.30 p.m. on July 22, all Cairo's minarets will be illuminated and church bells will toll to announce the beginning of a three-day liberation festival and national rejoicing.

There will be a big Nile fête in full pharaonic pagentry, a battle of flowers, fun, fairs and sports fixtures in addition to torch processions, military parades and fireworks display.

DIPOARTANT GUESTS

President Soekarno of Indonesia and Burma's Premier, U Nu, Crown Prince Faisal of Saudi Arabia and other Arab, African and Asian leaders are expected to attend the festivities. Accommodation for them is being arranged in ex-King Farouk's former palaces here.

The whole of Egypt and the outside world is also waiting to hear "El Rais" (the Chief), announce the form of Government the Presidential Republic will take at the end of the three-year transition period in January next year.

Fellahs in their nightshirt-like galabias and their womenfolk and children in multi-coloured dresses are beginning to arrive in Cairo for the festivities.

Battalions of national guardsmen are also coming from the provinces.

Blue-overalled workers from outlying giant cotton mills, the state railways workshops, munition factories and other budding industries are also preparing to take part in the liberation festival. They are coming in tens of thousands to hear the chief speak and see the much publicised midnight fireworks display.

On the night of July 22, a torch procession will set out from the Army General Headquarters, from which the revolution was launched, and march down to the capital, Khartoum Square, with about 800 torch-bearers taking part.

There Colonel Nasser will light a big torch, which will burn on top of the Liberation Memorial during the three days of the liberation festival. He will then press a button and switch-on light to giant electric signs of "July 23" in Arabic and French on the facade of the 15-storey high semi-circular Government building, which dominates Cairo's main El Tahrir (Liberation) Square.

The sphinx and pyramids at Giza and the Citadel of Crusades fame will be floodlit.

MAIN ADDRESS

Colonel Nasser's main address will be carried over the Egyptian state broadcasting system throughout the land.

The next day, July 23, the Prime Minister and his guests will take the salute at a mammoth march past of Egypt's new armed forces in the Republican Square. The parade will include cavalry, corps and commando units, with their own armoured cars, tanks, armoured cars, naval detachments, national guard and the police, the Egyptian army and the Egyptian air force.

DEATH OVER SUGAR PRICE

Nairobi, July 11. Nandi tribesmen slashed to death an Indian shopkeeper after a dispute about the price of sugar, a police spokesman said here today.

The incident was at a remote trading centre in Masailand, 80 miles north of Nairobi.

The spokesman said the Indian was killed by tribesmen with pangas and his wife was injured. The police do not suspect any connection with Mau Mau. A firearm and ammunition on the premises were untouched. — China Mail Special.

TREE-TOP PROPHET CONVICTED

Kampala, July 11. Self-styled tree-top prophet Kibuka Kigania and two other Africans were convicted today of murdering a Buganda policeman and sentenced to death.

Mr Justice Lewis, giving judgment in a crowded courtroom as more large crowds of Africans were held back outside by the police, found that Kigania procured murder by urging the other accused to stab the policeman who attempted to arrest him on his hilltop perch where he was preaching to large groups.

The judge rejected an insanity defence on behalf of the long-haired Kigania, who had stood shirtless in the dock through the trial.

Before the sentence of death was passed, Kigania told the judge, "I do not want my hair cut in prison." — France-Press.

Duke Visits Royal Irish Hussars

Lueneburg, July 11. The Duke of Edinburgh piloted his RAF Heron plane from Frankfurt to Lueneburg today to spend two days with British service units in north Germany.

He made a perfect landing and emerged from the plane in khaki service dress as Colonel-in-Chief of the Eighth King's Royal Irish Hussars with green and gold fore and aft cap. Himself a Navy man, he was greeted by an Air Marshal, also in Hussars service dress—Sir John Baldwin, who was commissioned in the Regiment before the first world war.

The Duke, had spent the weekend as guest of Prince Ludwig of Hesse at his castle near Darmstadt, drove to the Hussars barracks, where 24 trumpeters and a guard of honour gave him a royal salute.

TOOK PARADE

After lunch he took the parade in which the tankmen paraded in khaki dress without weapons, with drums and band were in full dress with red caps and officers were in service dress.

Tradition was represented by two ceremonial horsemen with red and white cockades on their blue hats and their chestnut mounts bedecked with a shawl on the flanks.

The Duke also visited a training tank and a training tankette, and a private garden, party to officers and their wives and a dinner to the officers' mess.

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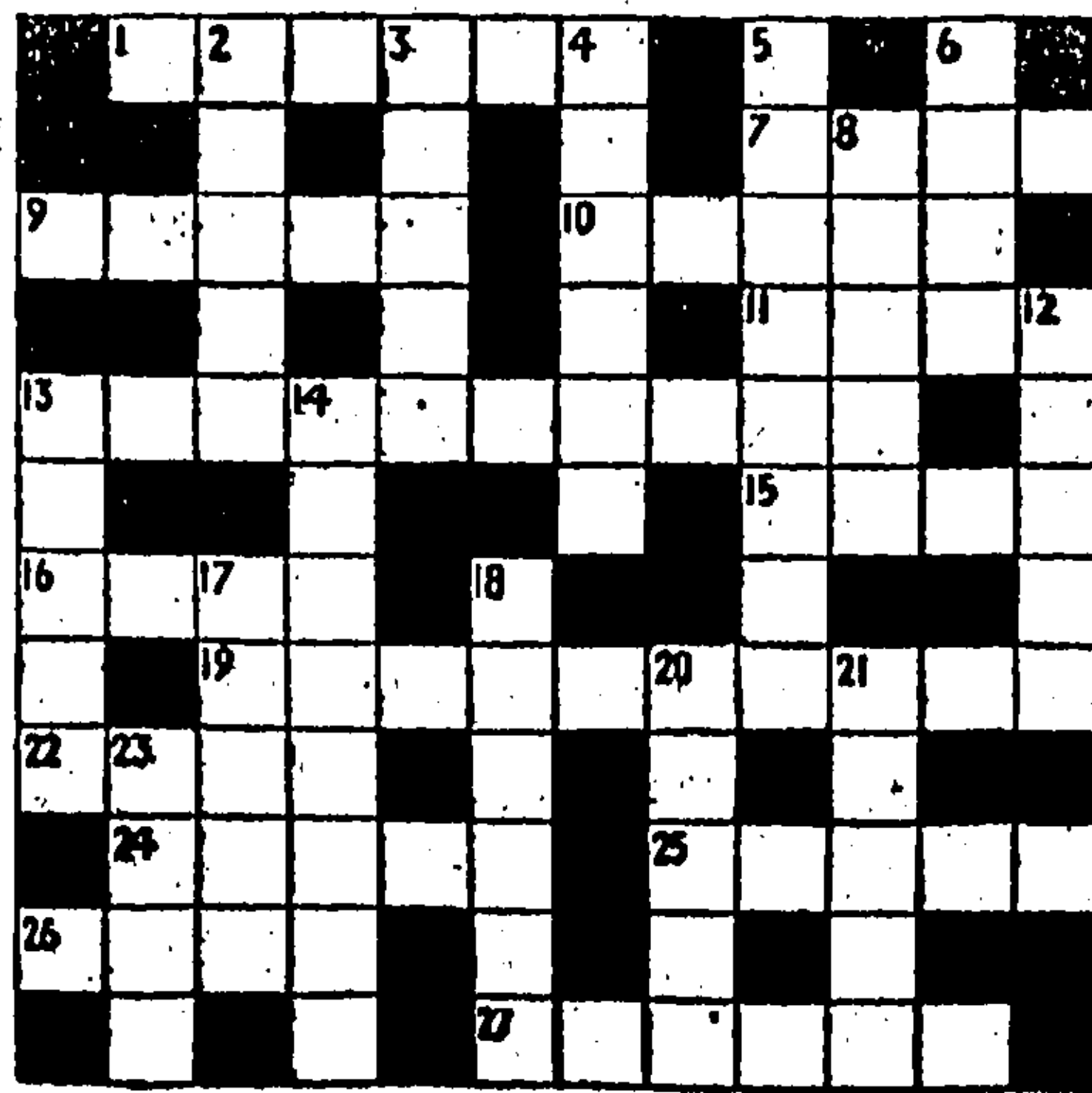
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 - Spot (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Sleazy, 4 Scare, 7 Allow, 8 Enemy, 10 Term, 12 Initiate, 15 Guide, 16 Area, 17 Ever, 18 Irons, 20 Destroy, 21 Term, 22 Avert, 24 Retain, 25 Study, 26 Child. Down: 1 Starling, 2 Enlarged, 3 Pawn, 5 Constant, 6 Remote, 9 Emery, 11 Nurtured, 12 Idiot, 13 Arsenal, 14 Barnings, 18 Velvet, 22 Fear.

THE MEN WHO WENT TO LUNCH

By DAVID LAIDLAW

IN ancient and medieval times it was a favourite practice of political schemers to invite their enemies to a banquet, and then either murder them or throw them into a dungeon. Just before the end of the Second World War, in March 1945, the Soviet Government invited 16 leaders of the Polish Underground movement to a luncheon party. The hospitality they received was grim indeed, and their story fantastic in a modern setting.

When the invitation was issued, the Nazis had been driven out of Poland, the Red Army was close on their heels, and people's thoughts were less on the fighting than on the political and territorial settlement which would follow. The Russians, pursuing their policy of annexation, had already done their best to destroy Polish independence. They had refused to support the Warsaw Rising of August, 1944, in which thousands of Poles were killed or wounded; and they had organised mass arrests of Polish soldiers and civilians.

AN INVITATION

The luncheon for the Underground leaders (who included representatives of all the political parties in Poland) was clearly planned as a final stroke against the opponents of Communism.

The sequence of events was as follows. On March 6, 1945, Jan Jankowski, one of the leaders of the Underground and a delegate of the Polish Government in London, received a letter from a Soviet colonel called Pimonov, inviting him and some of his colleagues to discussions with the Soviet military commanders. The subject of the discussions was to be the safety of the Red Army rearguard as it crossed Poland in pursuit of the Nazis.

Pimonov's letter ended with the following assurance: "As an officer of the Red Army... I give you my word of honour: that, from the moment of your arrival at the place of the meeting, your safety will be my personal concern. You will be perfectly secure." Although Jankowski distrusted this invitation, he felt he could not refuse it. Between March

17 and 27, therefore, a number of meetings took place between him and Pimonov. It was then agreed that there should be a full-scale meeting of the Polish Underground leaders with Marshal Zhukov, the Commander-in-Chief of the Soviet forces in Poland, and Pimonov suggested that this meeting should take the form of a luncheon given by the Soviet authorities in honour of the Poles.

A STIPULATION

Pimonov's one stipulation was that General Okulicki, the commander of the Polish Home Army (the force of patriots which had fought against the Germans in Poland itself) should—without fail—be present.

In due course all was settled and the date of the luncheon fixed for March 28. On the evening of the 27th, Jankowski, Okulicki, and one of the other prospective delegates went to Soviet headquarters to complete the arrangements. They did not return.

At the appointed time the next day the remaining 13 delegates presented themselves at the agreed place. There was no sign either of Marshal Zhukov or of their missing colleagues, and several of them immediately suspected a trap. They were received with a great show of courtesy, however, and after a while the Soviet officers drove them to a country house near Warsaw, explaining that the luncheon could be held more comfortably there. But no lunch appeared; nor did Marshal Zhukov.

A JOURNEY

The next morning the Poles were put on board a plane, with repeated assurances that they were being taken to the Marshal; and even when it became clear from the direction in which they were flying that their destination was in fact Moscow, this fiction was still maintained.

But, as soon as they reached the Soviet capital, the 13 Poles were thrown straight into prison, whither their three missing colleagues had preceded them. The only Soviet authorities with whom they ever had "discussions" were MVD commissars and the judge at their trial.

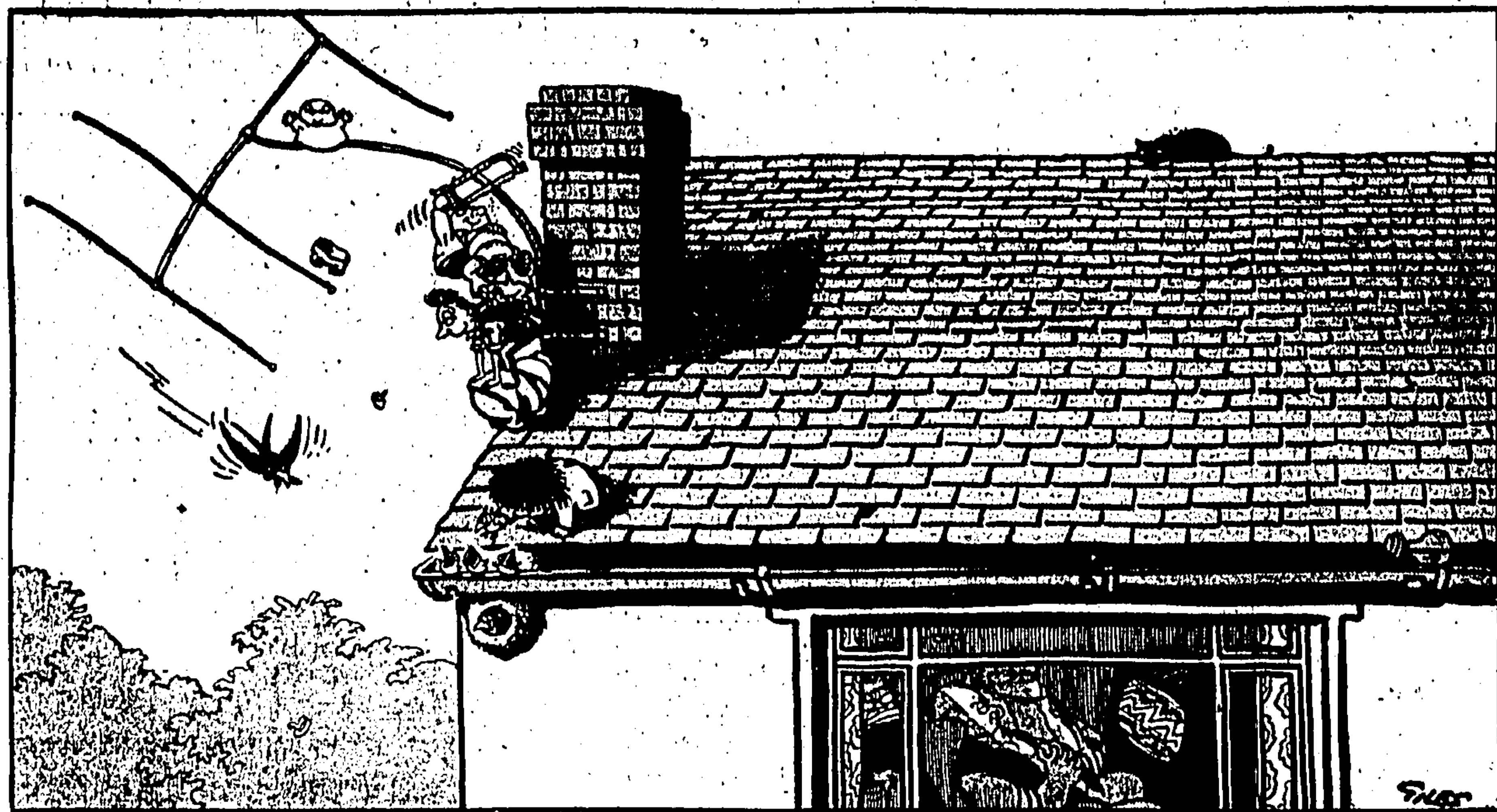
In prison the Poles were subjected to great physical hardship and to the mental torture of nightly interrogations by the Secret Police—interrogations which sometimes lasted for 16 hours at a stretch. Finally, worn out in mind and body, they were brought to trial in June 1948, charged with sabotage against the USSR, and condemned to varying terms of imprisonment.

The trial itself, based on forced confessions and pre-fabricated statements by Government witnesses, was like all Communist political trials—a travesty of justice.

That was ten years ago. Apart from the certainty of their having been arrested at all, the longest sentence passed on any of these men was one of 10 years. Yet the whereabouts of nine of them—including Okulicki and Jankowski—is still unknown.

In April 1955, the American Government sent notes of protest on their behalf to the Soviet Union and Poland, but so far there has been no answer.

Even the Communists, no doubt, find it hard to explain away this sinister example of Soviet hospitality.



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Did it happen?

Appointment with the Fleet

FIFTEEN years ago I was placed in a terrible dilemma as can surely ever happen to anyone. Even after the lapse of so long a time I sweat at the very thought of it.

The Norwegian campaign had just started, and I had

been summoned to the War Office to give some advice upon Arctic clothing. After the conference there was more than enough time before my train left Liverpool Street, to take me back to the officer cadet unit where I was teaching military law.

As I sat with a paper in Brigadier Holland's room I heard his secretary put through a call and say: "The Brigadier asked me to let you know that he can't get home tonight." I remembered that I used to play tennis with his wife so, for old time's sake, I took over the telephone. We both agreed that the war was very dull. It could scarcely have been duller. As I put down the receiver Brigadier Holland came into the room.

Enemy ahead....

"I want you to fly to Norway with Peter Fleming at once," he said. "You must start in three hours' time. You are to find out if the Norwegians still hold Namsos, as we want to land there. You will have two officers as interpreters and two signal sergeants with WT sets. You'll get the full story from Peter."

All that afternoon we flew north, and spent the night at a small naval station in Scotland. On arrival we were told that an air raid was expected and, ironically enough, as there were no spare beds, we slept on stretchers. At first light next morning we climbed aboard a Sunderland flying-boat.

We flew very low over the sea, at only about 100 feet, so that we could not get shot up from beneath. After passing a British submarine which, uncertain of our intentions, crash dived, we sighted a destroyer. A bottle, "Enemy aircraft ahead," was signalled to us. Our pilot said "OK!" and passed the message to his turret.

Yellow streak

We saw an airplane on our left. Against a yellow streak in the sky, low down on the horizon, it looked impossibly black and sinister to me.

More than once I looked anxiously over the navigator's shoulder to see how far we had got, mentally calculating how long it would take us to reach our destination.

We flew low over the off-shore skerries, and had to climb to look for our fjord. Then we recognised its outline and saw, far away below us, the tiny port of Namsos. We did not fly in at once, since we did not know whether or not it was in German hands.



"I was perfectly clear in my mind that this was no bluff. The stakes were altogether too high. If it came to it, I was certainly going to shoot."

Did this drama of the seas actually happen? Again a story in this FACT or FICTION series asks you to decide. Tomorrow the answer will be published.

Round and round we circled, gradually losing height and peering down through a field of clouds. We landed and, with our guns still at the alert, taxied towards a wharf. We were the first British troops to land in Norway. We were greeted by a ragged cheer, and Peter made a short speech.

After wirelessing to the War Office that Namsos was clear, our first action was to blanket the town, so as to prevent news of our arrival from reaching the enemy. The mayor placed pickets on the two roads leading inland, and a censorship upon the telephone exchange.

For several days we worked hard, collecting information, selecting a headquarters and tactical features for the covering force which would land at night, inquiring about rolling stock and road transport, arranging for an air-raid warning, and for accommodation in neighbouring hamlets, for the troops we were expecting.

With the help of a splendid harbour-master (whom I went to see last summer, to learn that he had later suffered much maltreatment from the Germans, for working with the Resistance) the details were arranged. That evening we interviewed several seafaring gentlemen, all of whom spoke English.

Stout-hearted folk, these Ohlens and Hansens and Nellsens, I said to myself—the descendants of the old Norse raiders who so plagued the coast of England ten centuries ago.

We met at noon next day, in the saloon of a small schooner owned by one of them. I had allowed more than ample time, and had arranged for the harbour-master to send out a second batch of pilots should we be sunk.

It had already been a bad morning, and unhappily my arrival on board coincided with an even more noisy raid than usual. Bomb after bomb could be heard detonating on the water.

The pilots looked as if they were conscious as I walked in. They nodded to, and nudged, one of their number. Their spokesman, whom I will call Ohlsen, said:

"We cannot go down the fjord today. It is too dangerous." I thought it best to treat this as a joke—to pull their legs and jolly them along. We sat down to a drink and skollered each other several times. Everyone was very witty at the expense of the Germans. There was no lack of jovial good-fellowship. But it soon became abundantly clear that they had no intention whatever of putting to sea.

I was appalled.

Agony of mind

In a few hours the fleet would be at the mouth of the fjord. But there would be no pilots. The warships and crowded transports would be faced with the alternative of trying to come through in darkness, with considerable navigational hazards, or of withdrawing for 24 hours with all the dislocation this would mean to our plans, to say nothing of the risk of their being bombed next day. And all because—Lindsay had failed to carry out his orders.

There are no adjectives to describe my agony of mind.

I argued and enjoyed. I tried to appeal to their sense of patriotism and adventure. It was all in vain. The atmosphere in that stuffy little overcrowded saloon changed to one of acrimony. We had reached a deadlock. And time was getting on.

A flourish

Faced with this ghastly predicament I decided that there was only one thing for me to do. I would draw my revolver and present them with an ultimatum. I would say: "Unless we sail at once, I will shoot first Ohlsen. Then, if you others will not come, I will next shoot YOU, then YOU, then YOU."

I was perfectly clear in my mind that this was no bluff. The stakes were altogether too high. If it came to it, I was certainly going to shoot—yet it seemed such a vivid, theatrical flourish that I was about to make.

Before saying anything I unholstered my revolver holster. I am not suggesting that this in any way affected what followed. They may have thought that I was reaching for a flask or tobacco pouch. But at that moment Ohlsen got up, threw away the stub of his strong black cigar, and said: "Now we go."

When we were half-way down the fjord, German airplanes started to bomb another ship. I was watching this with such interest that it was something of a shock when I heard the crack of bullets passing overhead. We ourselves were being machine-gunned.

Like a rock

I dived under cover, grovelling in the scuppers like any coward. But Captain Ohlsen, whose courage I had evidently so greatly misjudged, stood at the wheel like a rock. During repeated attacks from diving airplanes during the next twenty minutes, he never flinched. As soon as the last one was over he shook my hand, beaming all over.

"You see, I was right!" he said. "I have been at sea for more than twenty years, and I always know when it is dangerous."

I had seldom seen a man more delighted.

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HE CAME OUT OF NOWHERE, BUT As A Matter Of Fact, Jack Fleck Looks Rather Like Ben Hogan

Says HENRY LONGHURST

Those who follow the golfing news from the United States with a microscope—the only instrument with which to detect it abroad—will have been taken aback, a few days ago, to discover that the name of the new American Open Champion is Jack Fleck.

Furthermore, he not only finished ahead of Hogan, who was trying harder than ever in his life before—if such a thing be possible—in order to be the first man to win five U.S. Opens. He also beat him, personally and individually, in a play-off. As a matter of fact he looks rather like him.

Fleck, who is 32, is variously described as a bronzed, lowland, a nondescript golfing back-ground, a jangling Davenport, Iowa, municipal course operator, and a lean, hungry-looking veteran of the Normandy Invasion of World War II.

Before the Championship he was unable to break 80 and had to forego even the customary modest bets with his practice partners. In the event itself, he opened with a 70—the par of the Olympic Club, San Francisco, being 70. In the end, he

"came sweeping out of nowhere on a wave of birdies" for a 67 and a tie with Hogan.

HARDENED, PERHAPS

The prospect on the morrow was not, in the circumstances, conducive to a good night's sleep, but hardened perhaps by memories of the eve of D-day, Fleck was sufficiently calm to turn to a friend on the practice ground and utter words which in their humble way deserve immortality. "Is this play-off today match play or medal?" he asked.

"It's medal," the friend replied. "You play just the same as you did yesterday."

Ten thousand people turned up and no one could say they did not get their money's worth.

A rabbit had to be chased off the 12th tee before Hogan could drive; the play was twice held up by swallows; a boy fell out of a tree as they were putting on the 15th; and half-way round Joe Dey, master of ceremonies for the USGA, stopped the play and threatened to call the whole thing off if the fans did not stay behind the ropes.

Having no equal in the iron art of concentration, Hogan might reasonably have reckoned this to be just his day, but it was Fleck who, with seven straight pars, was one ahead as they went to the short 8th.

Hogan was 35 feet away with his tee shot, Fleck seven. Hogan holed for a 2—one can see the faint glimmer of a thin, tight-lipped smile as he did it—whereupon Fleck holed his, too.

And, on the 9th, he holed a 20-footer for a 3, and on the 10th, a 13-footer for another, and there he was, three ahead of the great man and eight to play.

He lost one, regained it, lost it again, then, at the 17th lost another. Only one ahead now, and one to go. Perhaps he thought he was "dormy."

At any rate, ice cold to the end, unmoved in expression and apparently in mind, Fleck hit his ball 270 yards down the middle, tossed an iron up to the green, and finished with a par 4 for a 60.

To round off a perfect story, Hogan ought to have had a putt to tie, but the fishish, alas, was anticlimax.

He hooked into the rough—his foot slipped, he said—took a mighty hack at the almost invisible ball and moved it a foot, took another and moved it a yard, and at last holed a 30-footer for a 6.

In the meantime Mrs. Fleck sat by the radio compiling a list of all the things from buying which her husband had fobbed her off with "Wait till I win the National Open," and Hogan was declaring to the multitude that never in his life would he train or try so hard again.

"From now on," he was saying, "I'm a week-end golfer. I want to be around the fellows and around golf. I want to play just for the pleasure of it."

He will find it, I can assure him, a novel and most interesting pastime.

THE RUNNER-UP



Denmark's Kurt Nielsen, "dark horse" of the Wimbledon Championships, who was beaten by America's Tony Trabert in the Singles final. Trabert won 6-3, 7-5, 6-1.—Central Press Photo.

THEY CONQUERED PAIN AND BECAME CHAMPIONS

By GEORGE WHITING

How fit (or unfit) do you need to be to hit the headlines and highlights of sport? Must you be a whole man—or can you get by on bits and pieces, laced together with determination?

Len Hutton has for years defied lambo and a shortened left arm, and has only now stepped down from England's cricket captaincy.

Ben Hogan, the Iron Man of golf, smashed a leg, a shoulder, an ankle and his pelvis in a road accident in 1949—and lived to lick the world. He retired last Monday.

Colin Cowdrey, born to batsmanship, rejoices the hearts of England cricket followers, but has the kind of feet that find no favour with R.A.F. doctors.

Ed Furber, whom I saw win the American Open Golf Championship last year, arrived in Britain a few days ago to show us the kind of game played by a man with a wasted left arm—the result, of a boyhood accident. He competes in our Open at St. Andrews, and will take his first look at English fairways at Fulwell, Middlesex, on Sunday.

These hard-nut types, contemporary instances of sportsmen and sportswomen who have made Championship grade in the face of physical disadvantage, lend topicality to recent researches in this field, by H. J. C. J. L'Etang, B.M. D.H., and related by him in The Practitioner.

Dr. L'Etang gives us a gory reading, but his exhibits after fine encouragement to those who consider themselves excluded from sport because of illness, injury or physical defects.

Respected cricketers are not uncommon, but how many of us knew that the immortal Knollys, carried on a stretcher after losing a leg, glided after losing part of an eye in a shooting accident?

Boxing's Sam Langford, the Boston Tar Baby, lost the use of his left eye in 1917—but thought so little of it that he fought more than 100 battles in the next six years.

Harry Greb, possibly the smartest middleweight of all time, was similarly handicapped.

One eye. No eyes. Robert Allman, pre-war captain of Pennsylvania University's wrestling team, was totally blind. So was Jack Twersky, wrestling champion of New York.

Don Morgan, blinded by fireworks, stroked a Cornell crew. Sightless John Sharp performed similarly at Reading University.

HOME RUN
Limbs just do not seem to matter. Dr. L'Etang reminds us that Hans Rehl, the one-armed Austrian Lawn Tennis player, is probably still remembered by the older generations at Wimbledon.

Pete Gray, an American baseball player, was also short of an arm, but managed to hit a home run over a 20-foot fence some 330 feet from the home plate.

Is it really necessary to have two good legs? Bournemouth boxer Harry Legge, Scotland's rugby full-back Tommy Gray, American miler Glen Cunningham—each had one leg and a "swinger."

4 HANDICAP
Geoffrey Windup Young lost a leg in the 1914-18 war—and climbed the Matterhorn.

His Rugby-player and war-time RAF ace Douglas Bader lost both legs and achieved a golf handicap of four.

Ruptured intervertebral discs, diabetes, valvular lesions of the heart, aortic disease, enlarged

ventricle and myasthenia gravis are other disorders mentioned by Dr. L'Etang as having "felled" to great international sportsmen.

He concludes: "Their achievement... is the outcome of a personal outlook on their handi-

cap which we would do well to encourage among our patients. Both they, and the community, would gain."

In my own uncouth and unclinical language, I'd say they had guts.

(London Express Service)

Nothing Will Stop Hoad And Wife From Next Year's Wimbledon

Darwin, July 11.

Australian tennis star Lew Hoad and his wife are planning a return visit to Wimbledon and other European Tennis Championships next year despite any opposition that might be put in their way by the Lawn Tennis Association of Australia.

So said young bride Jennifer Hoad when she arrived here tonight from London by plane.

There has been some unfavourable comment in Australian tennis circles over the time chosen by Lew Hoad to take himself a wife—that was on the eve of this year's big Wimbledon tourney for the top prize in international lawn tennis.

Jennifer said her husband would not turn professional for at least another year because "he wants to win the Wimbledon and I want him to win, too."

She explained they had originally planned to keep their marriage secret until the tournament was over and then have a church wedding in Australia "for the sake of the parents."

Well, it did not remain a secret, and Lew Hoad, great player as he is, still has to win the Wimbledon.

America's Budge Patty beat him somewhat early this year in the quarter-finals in straight sets.—France-Press.

Tokyo Awarded World Table Tennis Tourney

Cardiff, July 11.

The World Table Tennis Championships for 1956 will be held in Tokyo from April 2 to 11. It was announced here today by Mr. Roy Evans, General Secretary of the International Table Tennis Federation.

SUMMER LEAGUE SOFTBALL

There are three Summer Softball League games scheduled for this week. The best one will be the clash between Pandas, three times winners of A. S. Watson's Trophy, and the newly formed South China Aces which should take place at 6 p.m. today at King's Park.

Pandas ace hurler Jackie Wei, however, has hung up his gloves since the end of last season. So they have difficulty in finding a good substitute.

The Pandas are quite strong in batting and will keep the South China fielders running. On their roster are Kenneth Chan, Y. S. Liang, Denis Ng, Harold Ong, Johnson Shen, Edward Tao, Robert Tso, Raymond Tsoo, William Tsoo, Gary Yen—and Philip Hau.

South China Aces have shown their strength in walloping the Filipinos in the opening match last week. They are well balanced in all departments and hold a slight edge over their tough opponents.

The team consists of W. K. Wong (p), S. C. Wong (c), C. M. Tang (ib), W. K. Kan (2b), Y. K. Chan (3b), K. T. Leung (ss), L. C. Poon (1f), P. C. Wong (cf) and K. C. Leung (rf). Standbys are K. F. Chan, Y. F. Chan, Richard Lau, Robert Low, H. K. Chu and C. W. Ng.

On Wednesday, July 13, the rookie Pandas will meet the veteran Jaguars and a lopsided game is expected.

On Thursday, July 14, the strong U.S. Navy will cross bats with South China Aces. The latter are junior players from Caroline Hill together with several good hitters from the Jaguars. Though they have improved a lot during the past season, they will not be able to compete with the more experienced sailors on equal terms.

THE PROGRAMME
Tuesday, July 12—Pandas vs. South China "A".
Wednesday, July 13—Filipino Club vs. Jaguars.
Thursday, July 14—U.S. Navy vs. South China "B".

Tough Going For Riders Over Vosges Mountains In Fifth Lap

Colmar, July 11.

The British team had their first taste of mountain climbing as the fifth lap of the Tour de France snaked over and around the Vosges Mountains.

It was tough going for them over 2,900-foot high Charbonniere Peak. But they slogged up it and cautiously rolled down the other side.

Tony Hoar, of Emsworth Hampshire and his first taste of French level crossings. For the race, train-time tables were altered to keep the level crossings open for the riders.

Hoar skipped over the barrier, lugged his bike across and

nipped over the other side. In the rush, he had the card carrying his number torn from his back.

Afterwards Hoar joked, "The train whipped it off my back as I scrambled across."

Suffering from the scorching heat Hoar wasted no time in replenishing his light weight bottle with beer.

"In this kind of race I prefer the chilled French beer to English ale," he added.

The British team made use of other riders when Stan Jones of Birmingham had a puncture at the 50-mile mark. French Champion Louison Bobet, a bunch of Belgians and Spaniards had punctures at the same time as the British boys let Bobet and the other riders piece Jones into the pack.

Later on Hoar trailed, followed in turn by Jones, Fred Krebs of Cambridge and Bob Maitland, of Birmingham.

All but Joard managed to join up with the main pack before the end of the stage.

After the lap the British boys said they felt in good shape and were ready to attack tomorrow's 122-mile stage to Zurich, Switzerland.—France-Press.

Primo Carnera To Wrestle In Japan

Tokyo, July 11.

Four foreign professional wrestlers arrived in Japan by air today from the United States. The four, Primo Carnera, Bud Curtis, Jesus Ortega and Hardy Druskamp, will meet Japanese wrestlers here late this week.

They will also take part in matches in Nagoya, Central Japan, and Mail Special, Japan.—China Mail Special.

ASCOT STAKES Probable Runners And Jockeys

London, July 12.
Probable runners and jockeys for the £2,300 Ascot Stakes to be run over 2½ miles at 1445 GMT at Ascot today are:

Darwin (W. H. Carr), Description (W. Rickaby), Little Cloud (L. Piggott), Romney Air (C. Smith), Corydalis (J. Forrie), Romney Legend (J. Terry), Crossmount (R. Reader), Bunker II (D. Keith), Wildnor (C. Gaston), Manas (L. Parkes), and Palace Guard (H. Carson).—China Mail Special.

Willie Towel To Meet Cohen In September

Johannesburg, July 11.
South Africa's Willie Towel, former World Boxing Champion, will come out of retirement to train his young brother, Willie, for Willie's World Bantamweight title match against holder Robert Cohen of France on September 3.

Cohen is due here tonight. He Towel used to be removed for the accuracy and speed of his blows in fighting.—France-Press.

INSOLE NOT AVAILABLE FOR PAKISTAN TOUR

London, July 11.
D. J. Insole, the 29-year-old Essex captain, said today that he would not be available for the MCC's tour of Pakistan this winter.

Insole, the first to score 1,000 runs in first class cricket in England this summer, said he had been approached about the possibility of making the tour, but had declined because of business reasons.—China Mail Special.

ROYAL ASCOT BROADCAST

A commentary on the running of the Royal Ascot Cup at Ascot will be relayed from the BBC by Radio Hongkong tomorrow from 11.35 to 11.55 p.m. The commentator will be Raymond Glendinning.

SPARTAK BEATS ITALY 3-0

Moscow, July 11.
Spartak soccer team defeated Milan's Italian Champions 3-0 before a frenzied sell-out crowd of 80,000 spectators in Moscow's Dynamo Stadium.

Spartak led 2-0 at half time.—Associated Press.

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Lawn Bowls League Standings

The First Division Lawn Bowls League standings appeared incorrectly yesterday owing to some confusion as to who won the Recreio Whites v. Blues match on Saturday. The Blues won on aggregate and one rink, the score on two rinks being tied. The corrected standings are:

	P	W	D	L	Pts.	Shots	A	U	D	Pts.
KCC	8	0	0	0	0	520	433	00	00	20 1/2
Recreio "Blues"	8	0	0	0	0	518	419	00	00	20
KDGC	8	0	0	0	0	527	441	00	00	27 1/2
PRC	8	0	0	0	0	490	437	03	03	23 1/2
IRC "Blues"	8	4	0	4	4	433	490.25	07	25	19
IRC "Gold"	7	4	0	3	3	437	415	22	00	18 1/2
FC	8	2	0	6	6	433	523	00	00	11
Recreio "Whites"	8	0	0	8	8	402.25	508	00	00	8 1/2

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CHATAWAY FAILS IN MILE RECORD BID



Chris Chataway failed in his bid to set up a new record for the mile in a special event laid on at the Army Athletic Championships at Aldershot. This picture shows Chataway winning the event in 4 minutes 0.8 seconds. — Central Press Photo.

An American Wants To Start A Pension Fund For Retired Cricketers

At 73, Mr Henry Sayen has two claims to distinction. He is an American millionaire and a lover of English cricket. I met him the other day. I suppose you would call him a typical American; tall, brown-skinned, light-weight blue suit, bow tie. He had come over to England from his home in Princeton, New Jersey, to see the first Test match; talked about "that boy Stratham—one of the greats."

He was to have lunch with Trevor Bailey; planned to see Len Hutton, and "a lot of the boys" before going home in ten days' time.

YANKEE LOOK

There followed details of the book which he hopes to have

published soon: A Yankee Looks at Cricket. With it, an explanation:

"I wanted to devote the proceeds of the book to found some sort of pension fund for retired cricketers. But now I have been discussing a scheme to devote the money to encouraging

cricket among youth clubs in Britain.

"In baseball the players stay in the game because they know they can get enough money for their retirement. Cricket is losing players because that security isn't there. "On the other hand, youth is the life-blood of cricket. You have to have young men coming into the game."

AT THE WICKET

Mr Sayen is the only American ever to play cricket for the Gentlemen—against Cambridge in 1909; proudly shows a picture of himself at the wicket; proudly talks of playing for the defunct Gentlemen of Philadelphia.

He was a fast bowler until he was 20, when business affairs took him away from cricket. But not away from his memories.

"It was in 1908 I met W. G. Grace. I remember I went to cut a ball and drove it to cover instead. "I asked the G.O.M. what he thought of me. 'Well,' said the old man guardedly, 'if you go on like that you should develop nicely.'"

DOLLAR BONUS

There is no doubt the English team regard Mr Sayen as their lucky mascot.

At Lord's in 1953, when we were struggling against the Australians, he gave \$100 in "bonus" money to various members of the English team. Johnny Wardle got a prize for a brilliant catch.

In 1954 he was off to the West Indies to see England play there; the same year, after an operation, he was on the plane to Sydney for another Test.

Now this Ambassador of Cricket is working to develop and spread cricket in America. Lucky mascot he may be for our Test team; a lucky mascot, I feel, for all Britain too.

OLYMPIC GAMES SOCCER SUCCESS WOULD COST THE FA £10,000

By DENNIS ROBERTS

The English Football Association are to make all arrangements for Great Britain's team in the 1956 Olympic soccer tournament. There are unlikely to be any Welsh, Irish or Scottish players in the side.

The whole cost of the campaign will be borne by the English FA. If they are to send a team to Australia it will set them back at least £10,000.

But Britain may not get to Australia. As announced recently they must play Bulgaria in the preliminary round and this tie will be decided on a home and away basis.

Bulgaria have choice of ground for the first game. If the countries are level after the two matches, they will then draw for a place in the competition proper.

CHOICE OF CAPTAIN
What are Britain's chances? Bulgaria have for long been trying to get a match against the full England XI; they have amateur credentials similar to the Hungarians and Rumanians.

SPORTS SURVEY

FORMER BRITISH BOXING CHAMPION FORMS LIMITED COMPANY

Sammy McCarthy, featherweight boxer, is now Sammy McCarthy and Co., Ltd. The former British Champion has formed himself into a Limited Company, with himself as managing director. He has bought back his contract from manager Jack King.

McCarthy will still be trained by Snowy Buckingham. Immediate plans for the new firm of McCarthy Ltd. will be to recapture the British title lost earlier this year to Irishman Billy Kelly.

Joe Mercer, former Arsenal and England skipper who broke his leg two seasons ago, is now fully recovered. Mercer, 40 years old, has resumed training and hopes to play again next season. It was strongly rumoured that Mercer would retire from the game at least the active side, and possibly become a manager.

Another former Arsenal skipper, who has had leg trouble, Wally Barnes, is also in full training. Full back Wally, who captained Wales, has started training two weeks before other Arsenal players aiming for a place in the British team to meet the Rest of Europe on August 13.

Diane Rowe, half of the famous Rowe twins table-tennis partnership, has won the "Victor Barna Award" for 1954-55. The award is presented annually for the most notable performance of the year by an English Table Tennis player. Miss Rowe won it for her two singles wins against Rumania during the World Championships in Utrecht.

NEW CHAMPION

Pat McAteer, British's new Middleweight Champion, will probably have his next fight in South Africa. Negotiations are in progress for McAteer to defend his Empire title against Mike Holt in Johannesburg.

Johnny Campbell, McAteer's manager is in touch with two South African organisations who want to promote the fight.

England are soon likely to compete in a four-cornered international speedway tournament with Australia, New Zealand and Sweden. Teams would be four-a-side with one rider from each country taking part in each heat.

The tournament is being arranged by Mr Ronnie Green, the Wimbledon promoter, who is flying to Stockholm to complete the arrangements.

CAUTIOUS RECEPTION

Franco Cavicchi, Italy's new European Heavyweight Champion, has agreed to defend his title against the winner of the British Heavyweight fight of

September 13, when Don Cockell puts his crown up against Jack Gardner.

But with eyes on possible world honours the offer has met with a cautious reception. Says John Simpson, manager of both Cockell and Gardner, "I shan't make any decisions on a fight with Cavicchi until after the White City fight. Then I'll know whether it will be best for the winner to meet Cavicchi or not."

In my opinion this fight isn't essential. Don't forget Don Cockell got a shot at Rocky Marciano without being European Champion. It could happen again."

Zarathustra, At 20-1, Looks Best Outsider

The market on the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes still only concerns the Derby winner, Phil Drake, who has been backed from 4-1 to 5-2, and Acropolis, who has come from 8-1 to 9-2.

It is difficult at present to take any horse beyond these two really seriously, for this is essentially a race for the top class colts.

Phil Drake has proved in this category, while it is probable that only bad luck has prevented Acropolis from doing the same.

There has been some money for the French colt, Viny, beaten a short head in the French Derby by Rapace.

NO SHOW

Subsequently, Rapace made no show in the Grand Prix and, although excuses were made for him, I do not think there can be any doubt but that Phil Drake is by far the best colt in France.

The four-year-old Narrator has been mildly backed. But he has been too close to Darius in his races this season to suggest that he is really in the championship class. He may still be the best four-year-old in England, but that is not necessarily good enough here.

Darius ran third in the race last year, beaten less than three lengths by Aureole. This was

the first time the Derby winner had not been in the field for this race and there is no doubt that Never Say Die would have won with the greatest of ease.

If that statement is correct then the form of Darius' and, through him, Narrator is not quite good enough to win the race.

Rather than back Narrator at 10-1, I would turn for an outsider to the 20-1 offered against Zarathustra. His place odds are 5-1 and it would not surprise me to see him run into a place.

Winner of the Irish Derby and the Irish St Leger, he took on Darius and Narrator in the Coronation Cup and finished two lengths behind Darius, who in turn was beaten a length by Narrator.

The race was run at a slow pace—14sec. longer than the Derby—and, although the rider of Zarathustra was on the best stayer in the field, he contented himself, with riding a waiting race.

If he had gone along from the start there might well have been a different result. Zarathustra found himself beaten for finishing speed when the other two turned on the pace in the last two furlongs.

GOOD PERFORMANCE

Even so, it was a good performance, and he is probably a better horse than the form book says.

I doubt if the decision about Panassipper, expected today, will affect the betting appreciably.

No one who saw the Derby and is aware of the subsequent improvement of Phil Drake would expect him to turn the Derby form on Phil Drake. —(London Express Service)

CUSTOMS HOLD CYCLING PRIZES

Liverpool, England, July 11. Stan Britain, 23-year-old British cycling ace, was told today that he cannot have the prizes he won in the recent Prague-Berlin cycle race—unless he pays £105 sterling.

The prizes—radio sets, cut glass and a canteen of cutlery—are being held by the Customs authorities. "I cannot pay the money," Stan said, "so the prizes will go back to Prague." —China Mail Special.

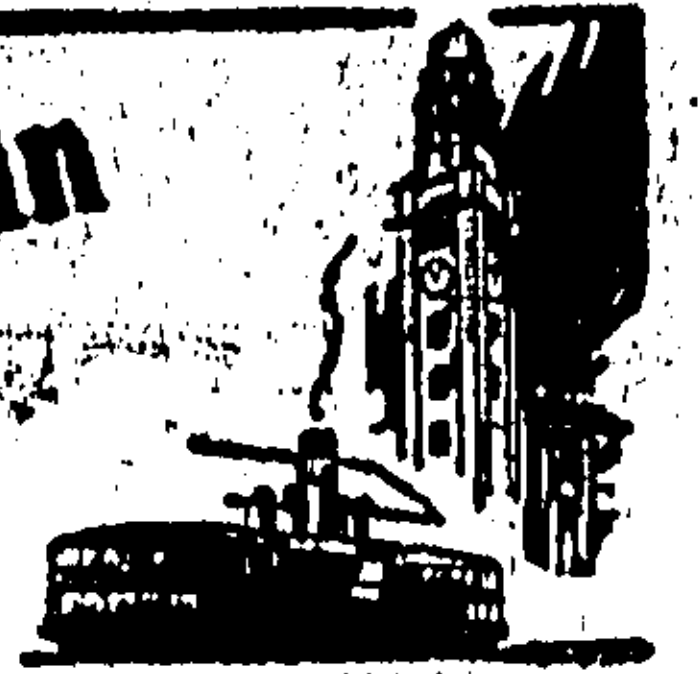
Reshevsky Confident He Could Win World Chess Championship

New York, July 11.

Samuel H. Reshevsky, the United States top chess player, said today on his return from the U.S.-Russian matches in Moscow that he was confident he could win in a title match with World Champion Mikhail Botvinnik.

Reshevsky defeated Botvinnik in a four-game series, 2½ to 1½ during the Moscow matches. But Reshevsky said at least 20 games would be required for an official world title match and before that he would have to play in the International Chess Federation's Inter-Zone Tournament in Sweden from August 15.

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Sports Diary

TODAY

Tennis
Men's "B" Division: CCSRC (1) v
PRIC; POIC v HIC; CCC v KTOCA
(1); CRC (2) v KCC (2); KTOCA (2)
v CCSRC (2); KCC (1) v CRC (2);
LHC v CUC (1).

THURSDAY

Tennis
Men's "B" Division: KCC v HKU;
CCC v HIC; CCC v KTOCA
(1); CRC (2) v KCC (2); KTOCA (2)
v CCSRC (2); KCC (1) v CRC (2);
LHC v CUC (1).

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Before that, it will be taken to pieces and transported on huge 10-foot road trailers to a larger airfield.

Even if Woodley airfield had been suitable, the plane would still have to be dismantled. It is not out of its erecting shed.

When I saw it the wing tips were poking out of cutaway windows in the walls, and the tip of its fin ascended among the roof girders.

Already 20 Herald's have been ordered even before the prototype has been flown.

The Herald may never be seen in service on European or on Scottish, Welsh or English airfields.

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"There is no Government assistance in this project," said Air Commodore A. V. Harvey, deputy chairman of Handley Page Ltd. "It is purely a private venture. And it is a great British effort. Britain has to live by its brain. We have to sell abroad the minimum of material and the maximum of man-hours and skill put into it."

The Herald is expected to make its first flying appearance at the Farnborough aircraft show in Britain in September.

Simple in lay-out, it will normally be flown by a crew of two pilots only.

UK Engines

An important aviation executive overseas stated recently that Great Britain's lead in the gas turbine aero-engine field is not only diminishing, but lost. However, facts and figures speak for themselves, and this is, perhaps, a good opportunity to review briefly this country's record since the war in this sphere.

Since December 1951, when the first American-built Supplices (J-65s) were completed for the United States Air Force, well over 5,000 of these engines have been delivered to the United States Forces abroad, and they are still being produced at the rate of 250 a month. So far, six types of American aircraft have been powered by the Supplices.

A further 5,000 British turbojet engines (Rolls-Royce Nene (J-42s) and Tay (J-48s) have been built in the United States under licence since 1948 for five types of Navy and Air Force fighters.

Curless-Wright announce that the Olympus (J-87) is being developed to produce 15,000 lb. thrust or 25,000 lb. with after-burner, and this engine is provisionally destined for advanced American fighter aircraft now in course of development.

Other British engines for which licences have been obtained in the United States are the Armstrong Siddeley Python, Mamba and Double Mamba turboprops and the Viper turbojet.

Turbojets

At present, British turbojet engines are being manufactured under licence in no fewer than eight countries, while British-built gas-turbine aero-engines are in use the world over. Early this year the number of Rolls-Royce engines alone built at home and abroad had totalled 21,000.

The fact that the presidents of American Airlines and Lockheed Aircraft Corporation are coming to England shortly to check on the availability of the Rolls-Royce RB-109, and that officials of the Douglas company are over here looking into "Britain's rapid progress with the jet" lends support to the statement which appeared recently in the New York Herald Tribune:

"Our best operational jet engine, designed and produced by Pratt & Whitney, develops a claimed thrust of 10,000 lb. It is a fine engine. Yet there are at least two or three British engines which develop more thrust than any operational engine produced in this country."

Indeed, although the aircraft industry does not show the fact from the house tops, US air power is dependent to a remarkable degree on British designed engines manufactured here on licence from Britain.

US naval power is particularly dependent on British engine design. At least one authority maintains that British jet "know-how" has rescued US air power from near oblivion in the jet age.

Sir Miles Thomas, in a recent interview in London, stated that British Overseas Airways expect to have four Britannia 100s by the end of the year and start a passenger-carrying service with these aircraft to South Africa in April 1956. The second Britannia route will be from London to West Africa, and services to the Far East and Australia would follow. It was hoped that certification of the Britannia would be completed towards the end of this year.

Of the Comet 4, Sir Miles said that the Avon 29 engines will undergo low altitude testing in the Comet 3 and high altitude trials in Comet 2. It is hoped that a full fleet of Comet 4s will be available in 1958. Sir Miles added that on a recent trip to Africa he was repeatedly told how enthusiastically the return of the Comet is awaited.



Unpleasant Choice

London, July 11.

A British woman married to a Pole, who was told last week she could leave Poland, will not be allowed to bring her younger child with her to Britain, a Labour member of Parliament said today.

The MP, Mr George Brown, said the woman, Mrs Rosemund Paszkowska, had two children, of whom the younger was born in Poland.

Mr Brown, who has brought her case to the attention of the Polish Government, said: "I understand she may bring the elder child, who was born in England, but not the other."

"I am doing all I can to obtain permission for her to leave with both children. It is not a pleasant choice for Mrs Paszkowska to be forced to make."

It was announced last week that the Polish Government had divorced Mrs Paszkowska of her Polish nationality and given her permission to leave the country. Formerly Miss Rosemund White, she married a Polish serviceman and at the end of the war went to Poland with him. —China Mail Special.

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Indo-China, 6 p.m.
Formosa, U.S.A., 6 p.m.
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
Japan, 6 p.m.

Wrong Diagnosis

Vienna, July 11.
A suburban doctor was slightly off in his diagnosis when he certified that Stefan Augustin, 42, died of a stroke. The Police said today, after inspecting the body, that Augustin had been killed with a big butcher's knife. His wife was arrested. —United Press.

Image Of Horned Goddess Is Remoulded

Jerusalem, July 11.

The image of a goddess as yet unknown was made by Israeli archaeologists this summer when they poured molten metal into a stone mould which they had found while excavating a Canaanite temple on a mound rising from the Mediterranean at Nahariya, north of Acre.

They saw the figurine of a nude goddess. She wore a high pointed headdress flanked by two slender horns. Her hair was long, a diadem appeared on her forehead, three strings of beads adorned her neck. She was long-legged with a relatively large-sized head, small breasts, hands joining her thighs and knees touching.

No goddess like her had ever before been found in Israel. Priests of the ancient deity must have poured molten gold and silver into that same mould some thirty-six centuries ago and offered the figurines for sale to devout worshippers.

Actually, a pair of silver horns cast in this or a very similar mould were found by the archaeologists inside a small vessel.

Mr Moshe Dothan, conducting the excavations at Nahariya on behalf of the Israel Government's Department of Antiquities, used a less costly metal, bronze, to reconstruct the image.

LITTLE RESEMBLANCE

It bore little resemblance to Aphrodite or Venus of later ages.

Mr Dothan hesitates about giving his goddess a name. She must have been another incarnation of Astarte, the Phoenician and Canaanite goddess of fertility, or of the Asherah, abomination of the Jewish prophets, who symbolised the defilement of the earth and later became associated with the moon.

The same goddess under different names had ruled the ancient world for thousands of years. She was the Asherah so hotly denounced by the Bible, or, in another form, the Asherah of Babylonian and Canaanite inscriptions.

Again she was Ishtar, goddess of the Assyrians, who descended to the nether world to bring back Tammuz, the god of vegetation who was annually slain and brought to life again.

She must have been closely related to Hathor, by whom the ancient Egyptians swore, to Astarte of the black-skinned Abyssinians and to Atlat of the pagan Arabs.

The nameless horned lady of Nahariya is believed by the archaeologists to have been a goddess of the sea.

Her cult centre must have served the inhabitants of a town situated at the mouth of the river Gaaton and the seafarers who anchored in its port in the 18th to the 19th centuries before the Christian era.

Evidence of the goddess' cult were found in her temple. These were miniature, offering pots, rings and bracelets, bronze and silver toggle pins, numerous beads.

In earlier seasons archaeologists have uncovered an altar or high-place (described as "Bamah" in the Bible), a semi-circular stone structure, together with a rectangular, walled-in sanctuary, formed the cult centre.

SACRIFICES

Greasy blackish clay, believed to be the remains of sacrifices of goats and sheep and oil offered up to the goddess covered the altar.

Among the most interesting finds in the ancient temple was the figurine of a monkey, with one hand covering his eyes, very much like the "monkey jugs" found in Byblos, Lebanon, which show monkeys holding their tails in front of mouth and eyes thus giving a very early version of the proverbial admonition: "Speak no evil, See no evil."

Last year the archaeologists announced the finding in the temple complex of seven silver plaques representing Astarte either holding her breasts or extending her arms.

Many complete and broken, pottery vessels and animal bones were scattered on the floors of stamped earth surrounding the structure and many vessels of unusual types were found on the altar stones themselves.

These were incense burners and seven-cup vessels known as "lamps."

All those could hardly have had any use in daily life and must have served ritual purposes, the archaeologists conclude.

Two pots hidden under stones contained a treasure of silver figurines, silver and gold jewellery and a ring with an amethyst scarab.

During the present season the archaeologists digging under the altar after it had been partly dismantled, uncovered the foundations of yet another square building.

It proved to be the first building on the Tel (mound) and was also used for cult purposes. This was evident from the various offerings found in this building which were very similar to those previously discovered in the temple and on the altar above it.

CLEAR PICTURE

According to the archaeologists they now have a clear picture of the building phases of the entire temple complex.

First came the square building which was the first temple on the site. Then, a small high-place (altar) was erected, just to the south of it. In the next phase, a new larger temple was built to the north instead of the square temple which was then covered by the main altar. The small altar probably fell into disuse at that period.

As to the people who worshipped in the temple, the archaeologists believe that they were the Hyksos, an Egyptian tribe which ruled Syria, Palestine and Egypt towards the end of the 18th century BC and the beginning of the 17th.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

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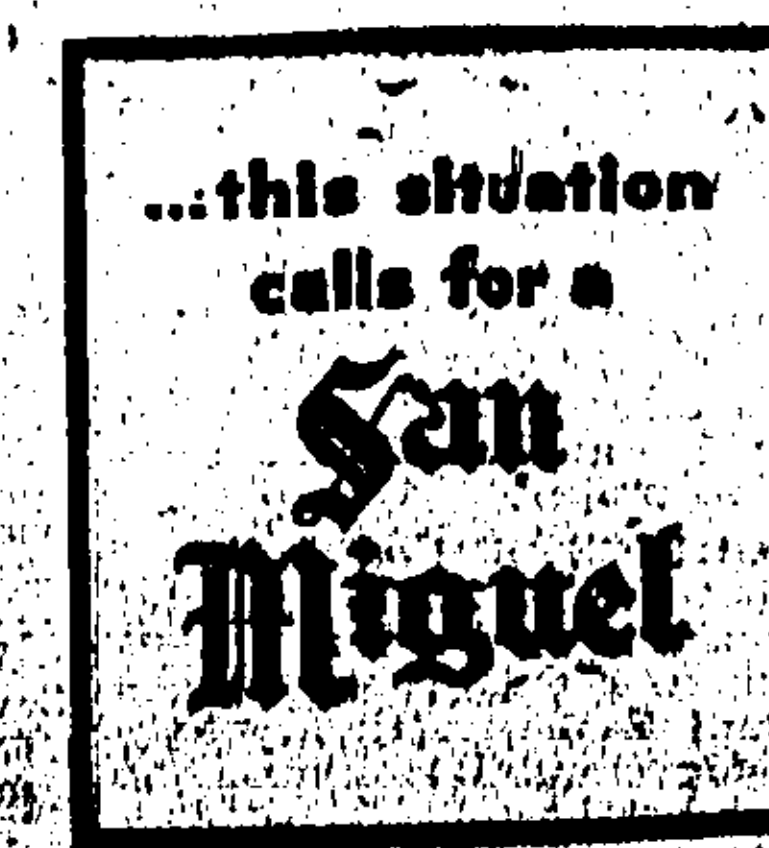
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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

DOUBLE ACT

THEY asked Simon what he did for a living. "I'm an actor," he answered, from the witness-box at Marlborough Street.

His appearance—the lean head of black hair, the robustly flourishing side-whiskers, and the thin moustache that seemed to lie in wait on his upper lip, ready to emphasise its curl in the name of stage villainy—endorsed his statement.

The learned clerk turned to the magistrate, Mr. Paul Bennett, VC, and said: "This man owes £67 on an order made in May 1954, that he should pay 25s. a week towards the upkeep of his daughter by the LCC."

"What about all that money?" the magistrate asked Simon.

LAST YEAR, LAST WEEK

"SIR," he answered, "for part of the last year I've had a bad time..."

"I suppose you've eaten every day," the magistrate suggested. Simon contrived a wry sort of smile. "Well, I've not eaten very much in the past year," he said. "You see in this past year..."

"Tell me about last week, not last year," the magistrate commanded. "Did you have any money last week?"

Simon thought for a moment. "I had about £10 last week, sir," he said.

"And the week before?"

"Less," Simon said. "You see it was about £15 I had, spread over the two weeks."

THREE GIRLS

"WHY haven't you paid this money?" the magistrate asked.

"Well, you see, sir," Simon began, "my wife left me in 1945. I brought up my three children—all girls, sir—by myself, from the time they were little. It was just that the past year was a bad year, and the youngest..."

"Where are the other children?" the magistrate asked. "They're with me, sir. They've been with me, all the time. The youngest one would..."

"How old are your children?"

"The oldest one's 19, sir. She's down on the South Coast. She looks after herself, now."

THE LITTLE ONE

"THE next one's 17, and waiting to hear about going into an office job she's after, and the third one, the little one, she's 15, so she's come back to me now..."

Simon sighed into silence. It seemed to have cost him a lot to admit that because of the bad year he had had to let his youngest child out of his care for 12 months. It was as though that fact hurt him more than the other—that he had not been able to pay for the child's upkeep by the LCC.

"I suppose the 25s. he was ordered to pay was not the total cost of the child's upkeep?" the magistrate inquired.

"No, sir. Her upkeep cost £5 14s. a week."

EXIT

THE magistrate turned again to Simon. "No one is suggesting," he said, "that you are a millionaire. But that 25s. that you were ordered to pay was based on what you were earning at that time. You had better pay £1 a week now, until the £67 is paid off."

Simon nodded, and made an inconspicuous little exit from the dock's small stage, and returned to his cramped home in the heart of London's theatre-land to resume the difficult part he had played so long with such near-success—that of both parents to three children whom he loved.

NIAGARA FALLS TRAGEDY

Niagara Falls, July 11. A middle-aged man was swept to his death over Niagara Falls on Monday before the eyes of about 100 tourists.

Strange Prison Meeting

ASSAILANT AND VICTIM

Recife, Brazil, July 11.

A convict serving a 15-year sentence for robbery and homicide discovered his "victim" alive in the same gaol with him, it was reported today.

Jose Simao, sentenced six years ago on conviction of robbing and killing Abilio Soares de Silva with a wooden club, learned in an exchange of life stories with Soares, now a fellow prisoner in the Recife House of Detention, that Soares had survived the attack.

Neither recognised the other at first but the more they talked the more Simao was sure that Soares was the man he left for dead on the night of October 18, 1949, in Canhinho, Pernambuco State.

Simao finally asked if he would take revenge on his assailant if he discovered who he was.

"No," replied Soares. "He gave me a lesson in the school of hard knocks. I hold no hatred for him."

Simao, according to the report, then told Soares, "Forgive me, brother, for I am the man who attacked you."

The two men were reported to have embraced and told the story to the Prison Warden, Luna Freire, who will apply to the Court for a revision of Simao's sentence.—United Press.

HATOYAMA MAY VISIT US

Tokyo, July 12.

Reports circulated widely here yesterday that Japanese Prime Minister Ichiro Hatoyama was planning to visit the United States, but the government announced the Cabinet had not formally discussed the matter.

The chief Cabinet Secretary, Mr. Ryutaro Nemoto, told reporters that leading members of Mr. Hatoyama's Democratic Party were suggesting that the Prime Minister go to Washington this year.

But Mr. Nemoto stressed this was a "purely informal" suggestion.

The reports had said Mr. Hatoyama was planning to go to the United States instead of his Foreign Minister, Mr. Mamoru Shigemitsu. Mr. Shigemitsu has a standing invitation to visit Washington but his trip has not yet materialised because of other commitments at home or in Washington.

Mr. Nemoto did not reject the possibility that Mr. Hatoyama might go to Washington although the subject had not been officially discussed.

He said it was "conceivable" that Mr. Shigemitsu would urge the Prime Minister to make the trip. He added that if Mr. Hatoyama decided to go, Mr. Shigemitsu might accompany him.—Reuter.

BIG DROP IN EXPORTS

London, July 11.

British exports during June fell by £90,000,000 from the April-May average, the Board of Trade disclosed on Monday.

The dock and railway strikes during that period were the primary cause of the sharp decline.

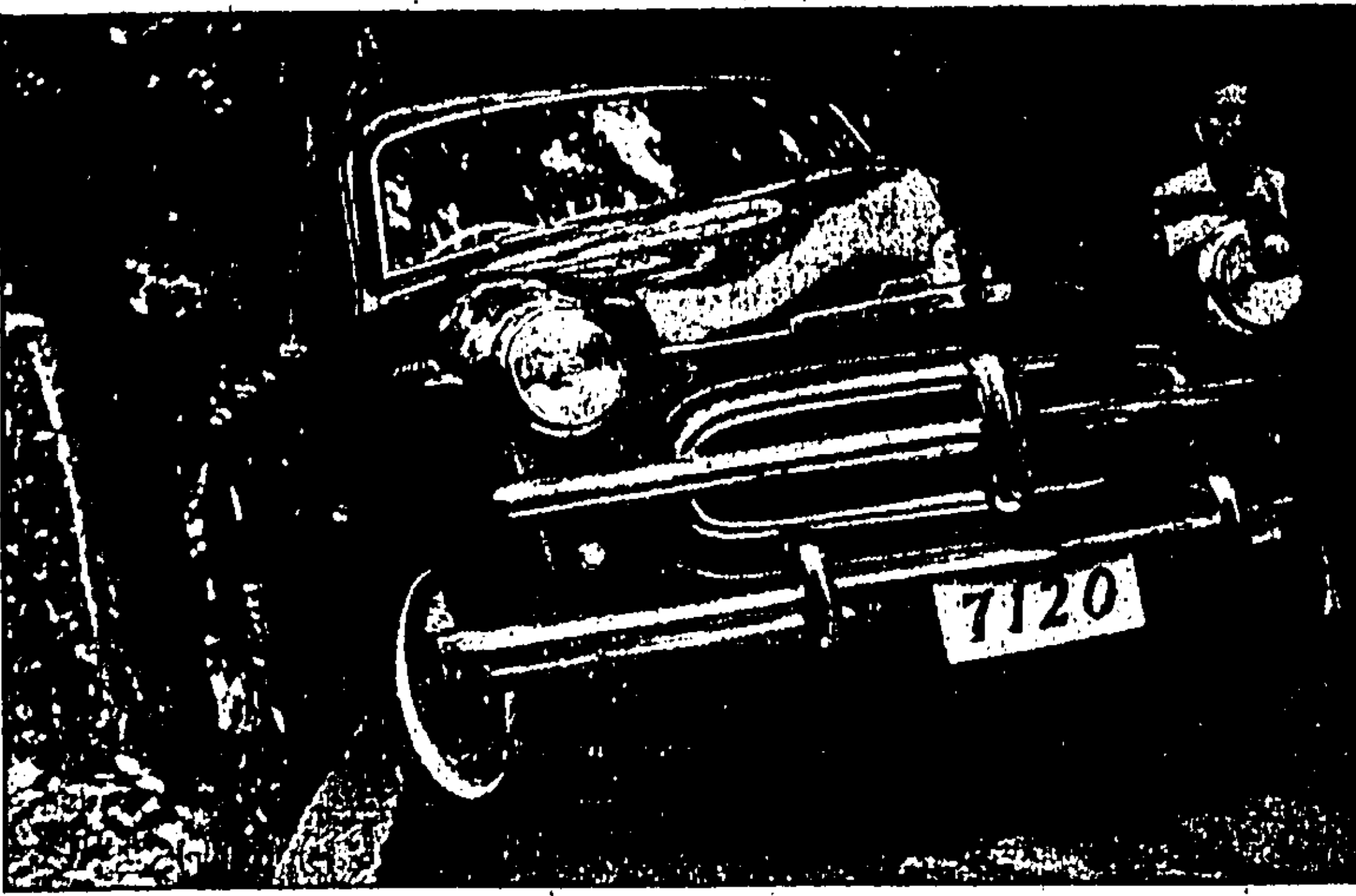
The excess of imports over exports was £128,000,000, compared with an average of £47,000,000 for the April-May period.—Associated Press.

HANDS OVER VAST PROPERTY

Kuwait, July 11.

The property of the Emir of Kuwait, said to be the world's richest man, is to be handed over to the State in an announcement in the official journal of the little Shakhdom said today.

The Emir has, in fact, given control of all his belongings in England and the United States, all his oil profits, and all his other investments, to government administration.—France Press.



This is what happened to 19-year-old Ho Kun-lin's car when he mistakenly drove it up a footpath from Kennedy Road to the Bowen Road reservoir this morning. He tried to get the car back to Kennedy Road, but one of its wheels left the pathway and the car became stranded.—Staff Photographer.

MURDER CHARGE COMMITTAL PROCEEDINGS

Rev Haig Brown Says He Warned Accused

In the second day of the committal proceedings against James Richard Becker, charged with murder, the Rev. W. J. Haig Brown, Chaplain to the Missions to Seamen, gave evidence of having warned the accused to cease his association with the deceased girl Miss Evelyn Fung.

The Rev. Haig Brown, testifying before Mr. G. Creedon at Kowloon Court this morning said that Miss Fung started to work for him as his Secretary six months before her death.

Mau Mau Gangsters Lose Their Lands

Nairobi, July 11.

The Kenya government today confiscated the land of 324 Mau Mau gangsters as part of a new drive against terrorists who failed to respond to an amnesty offer.

The amnesty expired at midnight last night. Two Mau Mau "Generals"—Mwanjyoki Wanjombi and Haraka—were shot dead by Kikuyu and Embu guards in the Fort Hall area within hours of its coming to an end.

A government announcement said next week's Kenya official Gazette would contain the names of "many more" terrorists who will lose their land.

Those named in today's Gazette are Kikuyu and Embu tribesmen known to be Mau Mau leaders and organisers. Notices have already been posted on their land telling them it has been taken over for the benefit of the community.

NEW PREPARATIONS
Meanwhile troops are preparing intensified operations against "last ditch" terrorists who failed to lay down their arms under the amnesty announced on January 19.

A total of 650 men and women—about a quarter of the force lurking in the forests—look advantage of the offer.

Terrorists still have a chance to surrender under the original amnesty advanced in August 1953, providing protection from the death penalty for carrying arms or consorting with gangsters.

But those who surrender will no longer be executed crimes committed before January 18.—Reuter.

Run Again Request To Eisenhower

Washington, July 11.

President Dwight Eisenhower today received a petition signed by 84 Republican members of the House of Representatives asking him to run again in the elections of 1960.

Praising the accomplishments during two and a half years of his administration, the petition asserted that in this atomic age, when one wrong decision might prove disastrous, it is of the greatest importance for the United States to be led by a man experienced in international affairs and gifted with patience, firmness, understanding and courage.—France Press.

IN BAD SHAPE

Bremenhaven, July 11.

The 35 lend-lease American warships returned by the Soviets earlier this month "are in bad shape" and probably will be sold as junk, a US naval officer said on Monday.

"Everything of value in them, such as instruments and equipment, was removed before they were returned," the officer told newsmen.

A New Type Of Air Conditioner

New York, July 11.

An electronic air conditioner which will work without a motor or any moving parts is being developed at the special request of her husband, Mrs. David Sarnoff revealed in a national magazine article published recently.

Four years ago during the celebration of his 45th year with the RCA Corporation of America, he asked the scientists at the RCA Princeton Laboratory, which the company named the David Sarnoff Research Art Centre, to invent three things as a gift for his 50th anniversary.

Mrs. Sarnoff wrote in the article, "My Life with a Genius" in the June issue of Good Housekeeping magazine.

The three inventions, which Mrs. Sarnoff predicted would be ready next year, are the electronic air conditioner, a magnetic tape recorder which will record both pictures and sound from a television screen either in colour or black and white, and an electronic amplifier of light which will do away with picture tubes and make it possible for a TV screen to be hung on the wall like a picture frame.—United Press.

May Transfer Businesses To HK

Manila, July 12.

An American business executive said today several American business interests entrenched in Japan are contemplating to transfer to the Philippines and Hongkong in the wake of Japan's move to increase taxes on foreign investments.

Miss Margaret McGowan, sales and production executive of the United Mills Company of New York, said she learned about the contemplated mass transfer of American business to the Philippines while looking into possibilities for investment in Japan.

Miss McGowan arrived here today from Hongkong for a brief visit.

In a drastic move to curb competition in her market, Japan, she said, recently had legislated a steep tax increase on foreign goods to take effect next January.

Miss McGowan said not a few American businessmen had confided to her that with these new taxes in force, they would either have to transfer their business elsewhere or face ruin.

She said the businessmen are eyeing both the Philippines and Hongkong as possible markets.—United Press.

ALLEGED FRAUD TRIAL

Admissibility Of Evidence: Judge Gives Ruling

At the Victoria District Court this morning, Judge J. Reynolds held that any statement by an alleged accomplice of the accused made in the latter's absence, which could properly be construed as false pretences, was admissible evidence, provided the Prosecution could establish that such statements were made in common criminal purpose with the accused.

His Honour had reserved his decision on this matter yesterday in the case against Joe Francis Gerver, alias Jean Franz Ang How, alias Chiu Wait-fat, 39-year-old Mauritius salesman.

Gerver was charged with

obtaining on December 24 last

year with intent to defraud,

from J. Kundan and Co., a

cheque to the value of \$2,000 by

pretending, together with one

M. Mirchumal Hotwani, that he

was the proprietor of a firm

called the Swan Garment Factory

which manufactured rayon

jackets.

Accused was further charged

with obtaining on January 8

this year, from J. Kundan and

Co., a cheque to the value of

\$50,800 by pretending, together

with Hotwani, that a quantity

of rayon jackets of a description

and value specified in a bill of

the Swan Garment Factory,

delivered to J. Kundan and Co.,

had been shipped to Australia.

Gerver is on bail of \$5,000.

He is represented by Mr. Y. H.

Chan of Messrs Lau, Chan and

Ko.

Mr. D. E. Greenfield, Crown

Counsel, is prosecuting, assisted

by DSI H. C. Hu of the Com-

monial Crimes Branch, Police

Headquarters.

In giving his ruling this

morning, Judge Reynolds said

that Mr. Chan had raised an

objection to a certain conversation

that took place between

Hotwani and a Prosecution witness,

Mr. Chopra, and had ob-

jected to this conversation being

admitted as evidence.

His Honour recalled that Mr

Chan had submitted it was

hearsay evidence and that it

could be admitted only if Hot-

wani was proved to be an agent

of accused. On the Prosecution's

evidence, it was further

stated, such common criminal

purpose had not been established.

Counsel had also claimed,

alternatively, that such state-

ments could be used as evidence

only against the person making

the statement and not against

the accused in this case.

JUDGE'S SUGGESTION

After stating his ruling,

Judge Reynolds held, however,

that Chopra's evidence of the

conversation would not be

admissible at the present stage

of the trial, as regards the question

whether or not a prima

facie case had been made out.

His Honour said he would

suggest Chopra's evidence

should be deferred to the

Prosecution until a later

Tokyo

Faces Water

Shortage

Tokyo, July 12.

Tokyo, one of the world's

three largest cities, was today

facing its worst water shortage

in 15 years because of the

unusually dry season and hot

weather.

Four of the city's biggest

wards have already been badly

affected as the water level at

reservoirs approached the

"drought limit."

The water authorities were

preparing to ration water and a

fleet of tank trucks have been

mobilised for use in case the

city's water mains dry up.

Trucks have already been put

into operation in one of the

most seriously affected districts.

The authorities said if there

is no heavy rainfall by the end

of August, water reserves will

be the lowest since the big

drought of 1940.—Reuter.

Leave For China By Train

A group of 782 Chinese re-

patrites, the majority of whom

were of school age, left by train

for China this morning upon

disembarkation from the mv

Tillamook.

Of the group almost 600 came

from Indonesia and some 300

from Singapore.

One of the repatriates, Lal

Phoo, a 54-year-old rubber tapper,

Singapore, died of heart failure

while on the way to Hongkong

last Saturday. A burial service

at sea was held the same day.

COUPLE FOUND ELECTROCUTED

Chatham, Ontario, July 11.

A man and his wife were

found dead in the bathtub of

their farm home on Monday.

They apparently were electro-

cuted by a faulty water heater.

The couple are believed to

have died four days ago. Their

two young children—Linda, 8,

and Janice, 2—were found in

the house, living on cookies and

dry bread.—Associated Press.

TYPHOON CLARA

At noon today typhoon Clara

was situated 180 miles south-

west of Okinawa, moving north-

west.

NO CAUSE FOR ANY ALARM

Hongkong RNR motor mine-

sweepers will be exercising in

the area Chung Hom Wan

(Southeast of Repulse Bay) on

Saturday next.

Explosions of a minor nature

may occur as a result of these

exercises, but alarm should not

be taken, states an official re-

lease.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Harold is becoming a very sensible boy—he says, if we get married now we can spend the summer on the beach and save on clothes!"

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